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British Drive Progresses Deeper Into Africa

Three-Pronged Assault on Massawa Reported Advancing Steadily

London, Feb. 14.

PLANES of the South African Air Force on Wednesday carried out a dive-bombing raid on Mfudu, a town in southern Italian Somaliland. The Italians have admitted the loss of Mfudu although its capture has not yet been announced by British Headquarters.

In a three-pronged drive British troops are steadily pushing on toward Massawa, the important Red Sea port of Eritrea.

One column, which has advanced into northern Eritrea, is now pushing beyond El Ghena, a port on the Red Sea 30 miles south of the Sudan border. After occupying El Ghena and hurling back strong Italian counter-attack, this force has improved its position in the hills and is now launching attacks against two stategic heights.

In western Eritrea, British troops are tightening their grip on Keren, the strongly fortified town on the highway to Asmara and Massawa.

Farther south, a third column is continuing its advance beyond Barentu.

So far 80 guns have been captured or destroyed by British forces in Eritrea. Troops advancing from the north have captured prisoners and war materials.

Italy has lost about 1,000 planes shot down in Africa since she entered the war.—Reuter.

Operations in Eritrea

Cairo, Feb. 14.

The situation around Keren, in Eritrea, continues to develop, states a communique issued by General Headquarters in the Middle East. The communique adds that by a series of local attacks the British troops are steadily improving their positions in the hills covering the town.

Farther south, the British advance on Arreza is progressing satisfactorily. On other fronts the situation is unchanged.—Reuter.

Daring Expedition

With British Imperial Forces in Libya, Feb. 14.

A remarkable story can now be told of how, following Italy's entry into the war, a small force of picked New Zealand and British troops, thousands of miles through the deserts of southern Libya, were probing the secrets of Italy's defences and sabotaging her preparations.

Known as the "long-range desert group," the force comprised picked officers and men from New Zealand troops and the British Royal Armoured Corps. It was commanded by a lieutenant-colonel famed as an explorer of the Libyan desert, who had formerly been an official of the Egyptian Survey Department and member of the Palestine Department of Antiquities.

The force journeyed thousands of miles through the deserts of southern Libya, carrying their own supplies, pirating enemy transport, shelling and capturing isolated forts, blowing up dumps and burning grounded aircraft.

The operations were conducted over a radius of more than 700 miles south of the oases of Siwa and Giarabub, and most valuable information was obtained.

Threat Removed

After Italy's declaration of war, the presence at Koufra oasis of enemy troops and aircraft in unknown numbers was disturbing to the British authorities. The Italians were also known to possess a number of motorized units constructed for desert work and capable of carrying out well executed desert operations. There, therefore, existed a distinct threat to upper Egypt by land and air.

It was imperative to find out the secrets lying behind the great sand barrier protecting Koufra, and so the vanguard of the long-range desert group set out, defying the sea of sand and sweltering heat of the August sun.

The vanguard, consisting of a British officer, five New Zealanders and two light cars, crossed the sandy waste—some 800 miles long and about 150 miles wide—and struck westwards 200 miles behind the Koufra-Benghazi frontier. After several days in the desert, studying wheelmarks and extracting a wealth of information by other means, the vanguard returned, with the way paved for further expeditions.

The same barrier was then crossed for the first time by the full long-range desert group. Three columns

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Fall of Tepelini Said Imminent

Greek Encircling Action Around Strategic Town Reported Strengthened

On the Albanian Frontier, Feb. 14.

The fall of Tepelini, strategic town 30 miles south-east of Valona, is expected at any moment, following further strengthening of the Greek encircling movement reported yesterday. There is heavy Greek artillery fire in this sector.

The Greeks have made an advance of between eight and nine miles on the western side of the Tepelini salient, that is to say eastwards towards the Tepelini-Durazzo road, capturing about 400 prisoners during the advance, and a large quantity of war material.

Fighting in the valleys of the Skumbi and Devoli rivers has been more violent, but Italian resistance to Greek pressure is strong. Near Pogradec, on the Eastern front, the Greeks have advanced more than a mile, with artillery support.

The total losses of the Italians since the beginning of the hostilities is estimated at 90,000 men, that is to say 20,000 killed, 52,000 wounded and 18,000 prisoners.

While the Greeks are saying little about their achievements, they are actually doing a great deal and are putting up a magnificent and successful fight against the Italians.—Reuter.

Italians Dislodged

Athens, Feb. 14.

Figthing in more than three feet of snow in the northern sector of Albania. Greek forces have succeeded in dislodging Italian troops from a 5,000-foot height, the Government spokesman said today.

The Italians left 52 men and two captains dead on the battlefield, he reported.

Captured documents, he continued, revealed that the 82nd Blackshirt Battalion, originally consisting of 683 men, had been decreased to 128 as a result of losses in battles.

Greek Town Bombed

Italian planes on Wednesday bombed Larissa, dropping bombs around the municipal hospital and killing several women and seven children, according to the Ministry of Public Security communique reported yesterday on the Athens radio.

"During a raid on Pyratheas, a house in a working district was hit, causing 31 casualties and 20 killed," the announcement said.—United Press.

British-Turkish Army Talks Concluded

Ankara, Feb. 14.

The final meeting between the officers of the British Military Mission representing the Middle East Command and the Turkish General Staff has been held here. General Marshall-Cornwall and Air Vice-Marshal Elmhirst, who have just returned from a tour of Turkish military zones, and Admiral Sir Howard Kelly (former Commander of the British China station), personal representative of Sir Andrew Cunningham, Commander-in-Chief of the British Mediterranean Fleet, called on the Turkish delegation headed by Gen. Azim Gunduz, Deputy Chief of the General Staff.—Reuter.

20,000 Nazi Troops Said In Bulgaria

Major Axis Moves in Far East, Europe Expected

Berne, Feb. 14.

Probably 20,000 German troops at present are in Bulgaria, with others arriving in a steady stream, Bulgarian sources said yesterday.

However, reports that hundreds or thousands of German planes had landed in Bulgaria were considered a wide exaggeration, although it was believed it would be only a question of time before such high totals were reached.

A Government spokesman at Sofia, discussing reports that 1,000 German planes had landed and taken over Bulgarian airfields, said yesterday it was "useless again to deny such fantastic reports."

Observers at Bucharest believed that further German mechanized movements in the Balkans at present were stalled because of bad roads and pointed out that horses were increasingly appearing in Rumania, probably to replace much of the mechanized machinery.

Movement across the Danube, reports from Bucharest said, also has been impossible for several days because of ice floes.—United Press.

Axis Intrigue

Washington, Feb. 14.

The Axis may be attempting to divert the attention of the United States and British simultaneously in the Balkans and Far East, preparatory to major diplomatic and military moves, some informed sources believed today.

"There is no doubt a squeeze play is on," Mr. James P. Richards, Democratic Representative of South Carolina and a member of the House Foreign Affairs Committee, said yesterday.

"In Europe, the Axis is working up to a major diplomatic offensive .....In the East, Japan is playing her role. The Axis is obviously attempting to confuse and divide the attention of the Democracies."—United Press.

Bulgarian Demands

New York, Feb. 14.

The demand for the immediate cession of a corridor to the Ægean Sea through Greece, between the Bays of Salonika and Saros (formerly Bulgarian territory) still contains the Bulgars, and the "problem has now become acute," stated the Bulgarian Government radio, according to a message from Budapest.—Reuter.

Yugoslavian Move

Belgrade, Feb. 14.

Prince Paul, the First Regent, M. Dragisa Cvetkovitch, Premier, and Dr. Alexander Cincar-Markovitch, Foreign Minister, were en route today for Berchtesgaden.

The journey followed Belgrade's request for a clarification of the position of Yugoslavia in the Axis, it was understood.

Leaders here apparently were anxious for an interpretation of certain portions of Chancellor Hitler's recent speech.

May See Ribbentrop

Herr Victor von Herren, the German Minister, was rumoured in some quarters to have accompanied the party, and not Prince Paul.

The group also was to visit the castle of Herr Joachin von Ribbentrop, Foreign Minister, near Salzburg, where Herr von Ribbentrop was expected to receive them. It was uncertain whether the Yugoslavian leaders would see Chancellor Hitler himself.

The contingent planned to stay two days in Germany.—United Press.

Rumanians Alarmed

New York, Feb. 13.

Substantiating reports on the rapidly mounting tension between Germany and Bulgaria, the Associated Press reported on good authority today that Rumanian civilians have started evacuating from the neighbourhood of oil fields near the Bulgarian border following the advice of the military authorities.

The agency also learned that further evacuation is going on at Constantza, Giurgiu and other towns on the Danube river facing Bulgaria.—Domei.

Pressure on Turkey

Sofia, Feb. 13.

Bulgaria with Italian and German assistance is making determined diplomatic efforts to obtain Turkey's pledge to refrain from fighting if Nazi troops enter Bulgaria, it was reliably reported.

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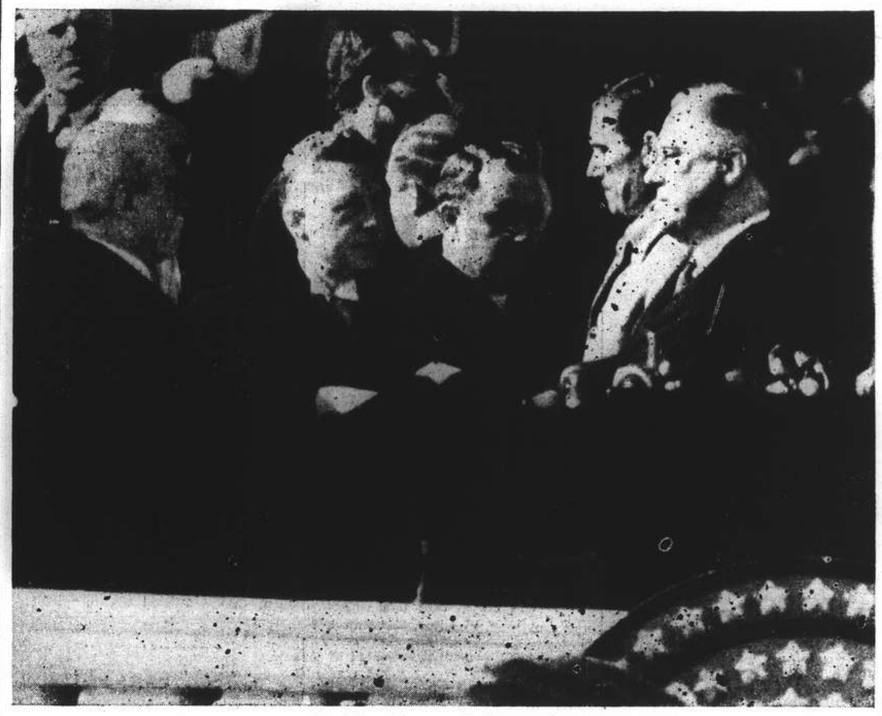
Gibraltar Gets First Blackout

Madrid, Feb. 14.

Gibraltar was to experience its first blackout, from Friday at 10 p.m. until dawn on Saturday, the Spanish news agency Menchetas reported today in a despatch from Algeciras.

Gibraltar's "Official Gazette" announced the blackout, the agency said, and described it as a test which would last only one night.—United Press.



President Roosevelt Sworn in

The above sound photo, transmitted from Washington to San Franscico shows President Roosevelt as he took the oath of office for the third time. The oath was administered by Chief Justice Hughes, seen at the extreme left.

Franco Refused to Attack Gib., State Reports

Spanish Leader Believed to Have Rejected Mussolini's Invitation to Join Axis War

New York, Feb. 14.

GENERAL Franco, chief of the Spanish State, has refused, in spite of strong pressure by Mussolini, to grant Spanish aid to an attack against Gibraltar, it is learned in Vichy.

The message states that Mussolini mentioned every past favour by Italy to Spain and asked Franco to pay off the debt by providing bases for an attack, but Franco was said to have refused.

Franco, it was reported, explained that starving Spain could not risk a war against England while England was helping her with food.

Mussolini was said to have promised that Europe would feed Spain. Franco, however, remained adamant.

Mussolini, it was added, stressed need for the bases of Cartagena, Minorca and the Canary Islands.—Reuter.

Franco Says "No"

London, Feb. 14.

General Franco has refused to join the Axis in a war against Great Britain, according to reports from Vichy quoted by the "Daily Mail "special correspondent on the French frontier.

The correspondent says that at the meeting at Bordighera, Signor Mussolini asked General Franco either to attack Gibraltar with the aid of the Axis powers by sea and air, or to allow German troops to cross Spain and grant Italy sea and air bases.

To both plans General Franco answered, "no."

At the meeting with Marshal Petain, the report adds, the French Chief of State told General Franco that France would also not reenter the war.

Marshal Petain returned to Vichy, while General Franco is now back in Madrid, which shows no particular signs of excitement.—Reuter.

Attack Asked By Hitler

Vichy, Feb. 14.

Chancellor Adolf Hitler asked Premier Benito Mussolini to invite Spain either to attack Gibraltar—with Axis air and naval aid—or to allow a German Panzer division passage across Spain to attack Gibraltar and at the same time give Italy necessary naval and air bases, according to a report here today on the French-Spanish-Italian talks.

Generalissimo Francisco Franco was said to have refused the request when he conferred with Premier Musssolini Wednesday on the Italian Riviera.

A communique was issued here stating that Marshal Henri Philippe Petain and Gen. Franco met at Montpellier, France, yesterday but there was still no official word today as to the subject of the conversations.

Neutrality Reaffirmed

Reliable sources said Gen. Franco in his talk with Marshal Petain, and Sr. Ramon Serrano Suner, Spanish Foreign Minister, in his talk with Admiral Francois Darlan, French Vice-Premier and Foreign Minister, made it clear that Spain would continue to adhere to a policy of defending Spain's neutrality.

Chancellor Hitler was supposed to have considered Germany's prestige would be too much involved should his desires be refused, so, instead of directly making the request to Gen. Franco he obtained the aid of Il Duce, said reports here.

Premier Mussolini originally was said to have called Gen. Franco and Sr. Suner to Genoa but the British Fleet blasted Genoa so badly in the recent attack there that the plans were modified.

The official communique issued in Rome mentioned merely that Gen. Franco and Il Duce reached "identical viewpoints" on European problems interesting to the two Governments, but most observers doubted that Gen. Franco would risk such a difficult journey just to talk about viewpoints.

Policy Unchanged

First reports indicated that Gen. Franco was not on peace mission, nor do the talks appear destined to change the trend of Spanish policy in the immediate future.

Gen. Franco, on the contrary, appeared anxious to consolidate the Latin bloc of Mediterranean powers only in the event British operations, pouring over from the Eastern to the Western Mediterranean, might interfere with Spain's communications by sea with Italy, France and the French North African empire as well as with Spanish Morocco, said observers here.

[United Press.

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Petain and Darlan Hold Secret Conference with Franco, Suner

Quartette Cheered Loudly by Crowds After Meeting At Montpellier; Talks Said Held at Spain's Request

Vichy, Feb. 14.

A COMMUNIQUE was issued yesterday stating that Marshal Henri Philippe Petain, Premier, and Generalissimo Francisco Franco of Spain had met at Montpellier, France, but there was still no official word today as to the subject of their conversations.

The conversations followed talks between Premier Mussolini, Generalissimo Franco and Sr. Serrano Suner, Spanish Foreign Minister, in Italy.

No official word was released as to the subject of the former talks either other than to affirm the friendship of Spain and Italy.

The discussion between Marshal Petain and Generalissimo Franco lasted 80 minutes, after which the Spanish Premier's suite departed by motor-car for Spain shortly before 5 p.m.

Darlan Present

Also present at the French town were Admiral Francois Darlan, French Vice-Premier and Foreign Minister, M. Marcel Peyrouton, Minister of the Interior, and Sr. Suner. These three and the French and Spanish Premiers lunched together about 2 p.m.

As soon as lunch had ended, Marshal Petain and Generalissimo Franco conferred privately, while Sr. Suner and Admiral Darlan talked alone in another room.

Eventually, those four and M. Francois Pietri, French Ambassador to Spain, and Sr. Francis Juan Lequerica, Spanish Ambassador to Vichy, appeared on a balcony and were warmly applauded by a massed crowd.—United Press.

Petain Confers With Staff

Vichy, Feb. 14.

Marshal Philippe Petain returned to Vichy this morning after conferring with Generalissimo Francisco Franco and immediately went into conference with his staff.

Admiral Francois Darlan, who also attended the conversations in Montpellier yesterday, immediately resumed preparations for his imminent shakeup of the French Cabinet, which is expected to occur over the week end.

Unconfirmed reports circulated here that M. Marcel Peyrouton, Interior Minister, will go to Argentina as French Ambassador, Argentina having approved him. This would insure his resignation as Minister of the Interior.

Many French saw in the reported outcome of conversations the hand of the Vatican and its desire to see Italy spared from destruction, casualties and losses which might weaken the nation.—United Press.

Approval of Guam Plan Predicted

Washington, Feb. 14.

Mr. Sam Rayburn, Texas Democrat and House majority leader, yesterday predicted the House would approve Guam's naval developments, which the President requested of Congress Wednesday. — United Press.

Americans Speed Japan Withdrawal

Shipping Companies Kept Busy; 700 Britons Have Left Japan Recently

Tokyo, Feb. 14.

Scores of Americans, who had been delaying their evacuation from Japan, today kept the shipping companies busy by booking passage for the United States as a result of the American Consulates' circular sent out yesterday urging all American nationals not occupying essential positions to leave Japan as soon as possible.

The movement was most noticeable among the American missionaries and others who, because of their long residence in Japan, had previously hesitated severing local connections.

A survey conducted by the United Press showed that more than half of the Americans in the Japanese Empire had already departed.

Meanwhile, the British authorities also have been continuing their efforts in urging Britons to evacuate. The British evacuation, however, has been proportionately less than that of the Americans.

Approximately 700 Britons have departed from the Japanese Empire, leaving some 1,900 still residing in Japan and Manchoukuo.

The United Press survey on the evacuation of Americans revealed that while there were 2,323 Americans residing in the Japanese Empire a year ago, now only 1,500 Occidental Americans remained.

American-born Japanese residing in Japan at present total approximately the same as a year ago since the few departures of such Americans have been balanced by new arrivals, the survey showed.

Detailed figures of Occidental Americans still in Japan follow: men, 550; women, 380; children, 120.—United Press.

Missionaries Appeal for Peace

Tokyo, Feb. 14.

With the outlook gloomier than ever, American missionaries in Japan are making an 11th hour effort to avert war in the Pacific.

An appeal for efforts to preserve the long years of peace between Japan and the United States is now being sent by heads of American missions to every American missionary in Japan with the earnest hope they will see their way clear to signing it for transmission to America.

The cable will be sent to Dr. Gavert, executive secretary of the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America, and Dr. John R. Mott, chairman of the International Missionary Council.

The appeal reads: "While recognizing that fundamental issues are involved in the present tension between the United States and Japan, we cannot believe that basic and permanent solutions can be secured through armed conflict. Rather the tragedy of war will greatly aggravate the issues and augment and prolong the present disturbed relations. We face a crisis which threatens to destroy much that is of supreme value to Christians. We, therefore, earnestly appeal to our fellow Christians in America to exert themselves anew to preserve unbroken the 80 years of peace between the two nations."—Reuter.

Defence Preparations in Philippines Reported

Moji, Feb. 14.

"Feverish defence preparations" are being made in the Philippines with the growing tension in the Far East, according to members of the crew of the freighter, Siraha Maru, which arrived here today from Palawan.—Reuter.

London Has Earliest "Alert" Heard In Capital for Many Nights

One District Bombed During Raid; Raider Downed By Spitfire in Aerial Battle Near Dover

London, Feb. 14.

London had a short alert after dark last night, the first to be heard at such an early hour for several nights. Shortly before the alert a high explosive bomb fell on one London district, where gunfire was also heard.

An M. 109 that attacked the Dover balloon barrage yesterday was badly damaged by a Spitfire. It disappeared with smoke pouring out of it.

The Air Ministry and Ministry of Home Security communique last night says: "A few enemy aircraft, for the most part flying singly, have crossed our coasts during daylight today. Bombs were dropped at points in East Anglia and North Scotland. The damage caused was slight and casualties were very few."—Reuter.

Germans Shell Coast

Dover, Feb. 14.

German guns from France yesterday resumed shelling of the south-east coast of Britain. The shooting started early in the day and continued at 10-minute intervals until 1.15 p.m. No casualties or damage were reported.—United Press.

King, Queen Visit Bombed Areas

London, Feb. 14.

The King and Queen visited bombed areas in Manchester yesterday, and were greeted by thousands of people who turned out to meet them. One woman told the Queen that she had driven for 13 hours without a light to meet Their Majesties, and added: "I wouldn't have missed it for worlds."

Another woman of 70 described how she had been blown from her kitchen to the front door when a bomb wrecked her family's house, but added cheerfully: "but Hitler hasn't killed us yet!"

Mr. Herbert Morrison, Home Secretary and Minister of Home Security, who accompanied the King and Queen, said they indicated they would retain unforgettable memories of the grim determination of the people of Manchester to pursue their war effort to the utmost.—Reuter.

No Immediate Crisis in Pacific Expected

Allied Circles in London, Tokyo Spokesman, Admit Seriousness of Situation, But State That Imminent War in Orient Unlikely

London, Feb. 14.

A SERIOUS view is taken in London of the position in the Pacific, specially after the Australian minister's warning of the situation in the Far East. The Australian reaction to the warning of serious developments has given much satisfaction in London, while the American attitude is also all to the good.

In Allied circles in London which are usually well-informed, it is felt that at the moment the crisis is not immediate. It is pointed out, that in view of the fact that negotiations between Indo-China and Thailand are proceeding, and the armistice has just been prolonged for another fortnight it is unlikely that Japan would take any immediate action.

Also, although there has been talk of negotiations with Russia, Japan has not yet reached any agreement that would guarantee her rear if she were to undertake any adventurous operation to the south.—Reuter.

"Nothing Will Happen"

Tokyo, Feb. 14.

Rumours of imminent war in the Pacific were discussed at the foreign press conference today. Referring to an alleged rumour current in Legation quarters in Tokyo that war in the Pacific is imminent, a French correspondent asked if there was anything to confirm the rumour, Mr. Koh Ishii, deputy spokesman of the Information Board, replied that the atmosphere was serious and all must prepare for every possible contingency.

It was true that there were many rumours afloat, said Mr. Ishii. He expressed the opinion however that nothing would happen. Referring to a reported order given by the Netherlands Government to Dutch vessels in the Far East to enter Manila or other neutral ports, Mr. Ishii said he had no official information confirming the report.

Asked whether Dutch counter-proposals at the Batavia parley were unreasonable or unworkable, Mr. Ishii declined to answer directly but said that negotiations between Japan and the Netherlands East Indies were not at a standstill. He dismissed a Japanese press attack against the Netherlands East Indies for alleged insincerity as not based on fact.

Asked to comment on a statement made by Mr. A. W. Fadden, Australian acting Prime Minister, that the shadow of war was deepening over the Pacific despite the desire for peace, Mr. Ishii replied that Japan was anxious to maintain and increase peaceful relations with Australia, as demonstrated by the exchange of diplomatic representatives between the two countries.

Mr. Tatsuo Kawai, Japan's first Minister to Australia, will leave Tokyo on February 28 for his post, the deputy spokesman added.

Asked about the Tokyo conference between Japan, Indo-China and That, Mr. Ishii said the sooner the conference comes to an amicable conclusion the better, but it would possibly take some time because of the complicated nature of the question discussed. He said talks were going on almost daily.—Reuter.

Hull Confirms Evacuation Advice

Washington, Feb. 14.

Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, yesterday confirmed reports that United States Consular officials in the Far East had been instructed to renew suggestions to women, children and "non-essential" men to leave the area.

Mr. Hull said this renewal of suggestions was consistent with the United States' policy with reference to the disturbed conditions in Asia and Europe and said it was simply a precautionary measure relating to the safety of American citizens.

Mr. Hull, said he had had no official knowledge regarding reports of the urgent situation which promoted the Australian War Council's meet-

[United Press.

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Roosevelt Told Britain's Needs

Washington, Feb. 14.

President Roosevelt is thoroughly informed concerning the question of British destroyer needs, Mr. Stephen Early, the President's secretary, told reporters yesterday.

The question, he declared, would be under study for some time because of many elements entering into the picture.

There would be no lending or leasing of war equipment to Britain until Congress had enacted the British Aid Bill, Mr. Early added.—Reuter.

Japan Wooing Soviet Russia

Mr. Matsuoka Says Japan Doing Utmost to Improve Relations with Moscow

Tokyo, Feb. 14.

Mr. Yosuke Matsuoka, Foreign Minister, today said that Japan was doing her utmost to improve relations with the Soviet Union and that the atmosphere was favourable for an adjustment of relations.

He urged the Japanese, however, to be patient because the Soviets were slow-tempered.

Responding to questions in the Lower House before the Budget Committee, Mr. Matsuoka said, "We are doing everything possible in our power to adjust Soviet-Japanese relations . . . The Soviets are slow tempered and therefore it is taboo for us to become impatient in dealing with them."

Favourable Atmosphere

The Foreign Minister said that the atmosphere was favourable for an adjustment in relations because the "Soviets seem to have recognized Japan's true intentions to settle the differences in earnest."

He added that Japan had been determined to resort to free fishery, but a temporary agreement with the Soviets had materialized in the "last moment."

He also said that the mixed commission which the Soviet Union had suggested was at present negotiating for a long term fishery treaty.

"Russia has also taken the attitude of accelerating the conclusion of the commercial pact which was hopeless last year," he said.

"The negotiations in this connection have been making fair progress. Regarding the Manchoukuo and the Soviet border and Saghalien oil issues we should like to start negotiations at the proper opportunity."

No Comment

Mr. Matsuoka declined to comment on a suggestion by Mr. Fusamiro Ichinomiya that Japan should conclude a non-aggression pact with Russia, because of Japan's alleged inability to obtain help from Germany and Italy in event of a Soviet-Japanese war.

The interpellator pointed out that article five of the tripartite pact made it possible for any one of the signatories to deal individually with Russia without interference of the other two signatories. Because of that article, Mr. Ichinomiya said, Germany and Italy would not have to assist Japan should Japan become involved with Russia.

Mr. Ichinomiya stressed that owing to strained Japanese-American relations the security of Japan's northern defences was particularly important.

Article Five

Mr. Matsuoka replied that misgivings over article five of the tripartite pact were understandable, however, the purpose of the article, when formulated, was toward adjusting Soviet-Japanese relations.

Diplomacy can not be conducted only on a basis of agreement," Mr. Matsuoka said. "It must be based on change and developments from time to time."

Asked whether M. Viacheslav M. Molotov, Soviet Foreign Commissar, had hinted that Japan should renounce her anti-Comintern pact and what Mr. Matsuoka's attitude on the subject was, the Foreign Minister replied:

"It is easily imaginable that the pact should be renounced from the viewpoint of adjusting Soviet-Japanese relations. However we must not lose track of the pact's importance."

Mr. Matsuoka's words supported Mr. Ichinomiya's emphasis that the pact was an important factor relative to the trend of Japanese domestic thought and also in Sino-Japanese relations.—United Press.

Friendly Relations Between Britain And Thailand Remain Unimpaired

Communique Issued by Thai Government States Both Countries Respect Non-Aggression Pact

Bangkok, Feb. 14.

Friendly relations existing between Britain and Thai remain unimpaired, states a communique issued by the Thai Government.

"News from various sources is now current that British military authorities have stationed land, naval and air forces on the Thai border adjoining the Federated Malay States and Burma," the statement says. "This may lead some people to misunderstand that Great Britain will eventually violate Thai territory.

"The Government of Thai therefore beg to state that friendly relations happily existing bewteen Great Britain and Thai remain unimpaired. Both countries still respect the treaty and pact of non-aggression concluded between one another and their mutual understanding and sympathy still exist in the most cordial way."

Diplomatic commentators welcome the communique as an opportune categorical reaffirmation of Anglo-Thai cordiality, especially in view of the present acute Anglo-Japanese estrangement and manifestations of Thai-Japanese amity since Tokyo took a hand in settling Thai's border conflict. The statement is seen as a correct valuation of the factors which influenced Britain hurriedly to strengthen Malaya's land frontier.—Reuter

Senate to Begin Debate on Aid Bill on Monday

Bill Approved by Foreign Relations Committee By 15-8 Vote; Service Abroad Amendment Vetoed

Washington, Feb. 14.

THE Senate was expected today to begin debate on Monday on the momentous Aid to the Democracies Bill after the Senate Foreign Relations Committee yesterday approved the measure by a 15 to 8 vote.

Prior to the final approval, the Committee rejected an amendment declaring that the bill contained no authorizations to send the United States Army or Navy outside the western hemisphere or possessions of the United States, including the Philippines.

Senator Allen J. Ellender, Louisiana Democrat, who sponsored the amendment, argued that such a provision was necessary for the purpose of reassuring the country that troops would not be sent into the European and Asiatic wars.

The Senate Committee's principal change set a limit of US$1,300,000,000 on the amount of aid to foreign powers without further Congressional authorization.

The House had established that as the amount of Army and Navy material that could be sent abroad from supplies at hand or ordered, but left the President with power to place orders for any amount of supplies and ask Congress for funds later.

"Within 10 Days"

Senator Alben Barkley, Kentucky Democrat and leader of Administration forces, said it was his "reasonable hope" that the Senate would approve the bill by a two-to-one majority within 10 days. He said there were only 20 to 25 opposition votes.

In its report on the measure, the Senate Committee said that the bill was not a war measure, but a practical safeguard aimed at keeping the United States out of war. The Committee said the bill contained "no authority for sending American troops in any circumstances to fight on foreign soil."

The bill, the report said, merely came out of the United States' foreign policy, based on two fundamental principles: "firstly, the United States must strive in all ways reasonably possible to stay at peace with all the world, and secondly, the United States must, in its own interests, supply effective material aid to those countries whose defence is vital to our defence.

"That We May Have Freedom"

"To the end that we may have freedom, the bill casts the strength of American industry into the struggle against forces which may be directed against us."

The majority report was signed by 14 Democrats and one Republican.

Senator Josh Lee, Oklahoma Democrat, started a discussion of the bill on the Senate floor, although leaders had announced formal discussion would not start until Monday.

"Britain is the only barrier between Hitler's *blitzkrieg* and American youth," Senator Lee said. "As long as Hitler is loose, it is suicide for America to place its faith in neutrality and appeasement.

"If England can hold on....and is given enough United States bombers to take the offensive, it will break Hitler, because when Hitler is stopped, he will be defeated. Then, with a superior number of bombers, Britain will be able to carry aggressive bombing to Germany and the Hitler regime will collapse.

Britain Will Win

"The German people and soil have not felt the curse of war, but let America furnish the Royal Air Force enough bombers to carry some of Hitler's own medicine to Germany, then Britain will win the war without invading Europe with an expeditionary force."

Senator Warren R. Austin, Vermont Republican, joined the debate and supported the bill, asserting that aid to Britain should be given on the condition that she possessed an "adequate peace plan" which would guarantee the maintenance of Anglo-American "ideals of freedom."

"We should have some guarantee that Britain will stand actively with us and not abandon us as in the case of Manchoukuo," Senator Austin said, referring to the incident in which the United States was reputed to have desired to adopt a strong policy regarding Japan when the latter invaded Manchuria.—United Press.

Labour Troubles Break Anew

Barbers on Warpath for Second Time Within One Month; Other Strikes

Dissatisfied with the manner in which shop owners were carrying out their promises to increase their earnings, all the barbers in the International Settlement went on strike yesterday afternoon, their second within less than thirty days.

The trouble started at the Dah Woo Barber Shop at 326 Shantung Road early in the afternoon when the barbers demanded an increase in pay. When their demands were rejected by the owner, the scissor-wielders walked out and went to the Barbers' Union in Edinburgh Road where they made representations, with the result that all the shops had to suspend business in the afternoon following a walk-out of employees.

The strike, however, did not spread to all shops at the same time, and at about 6.10 p.m. fourteen or fifteen strikers entered a hair dressing saloon at 847 Chengtu Road where they attempted to force the barbers to stop work. Seeing the manager going to the telephone to report to the police, the group left the premises, without trying to interfere with the work.

Another strike was reported at the United Chemical Industries at 30 Singapore Road where some 300 workers had been on strike following the refusal of the management to increase their wages. According to Chinese reports, however, the management intends to hire new workmen, should the strikers refuse to return to their jobs.

Further labour trouble was reported yesterday when the Settlement police arrested seven Chinese for intimidating shop masters and assistants of a paper box factory, situated at Lane 565 House 340 Sinza Road. The intimidators entered the premises at 11.20 a.m. and tried to force the masters and workers to quit their jobs, but the timely arrival of the police put an end to the trouble at 3.40 p.m., however, a number of strikers, who had walked out on their jobs previously, damaged a quantity of paper boxes, which were being loaded on two handtrolleys. No arrests were made this time.

A strike was also expected to break out among the compositors of the "Chinese-American Daily News," an American-owned Chinese-language paper, because no satisfactory reply to their demands had been received from the management, but so far no trouble has been reported.

Grave Warning Issued In Australia

"Serious Import" Stressed By Advisory Council

Sydney, Feb. 14.

The Advisory Council, adjourning suddenly after receiving cables dealing with the overseas situation, issued a statement yesterday that "we think we should tell the people it is the considered opinion of the Council the war has moved to new stages involving the utmost gravity."

"Implications of the existing situation can be described as of most serious import," the statement said.

"Effective preparatory measures taken for Australia's safety have rendered essential the greatest effort for preparedness the country has every made."

The situation will be reviewed by the War Cabinet today, it was understood, with Air Marshal Sir Robert Brooke-Popham, Commander-in-Chief of British Far Eastern Forces, attending the meeting.

Reports from Melbourne said that men called up for training January 7 would remain in camp a fortnight longer than originally was planned because of the present world situation.—United Press.

Defence Considered

Sydney, Feb. 14.

The War Cabinet in consultation with chiefs of staff met today to discuss the international situation.

It is further intimated that the War Cabinet considered a defence programme in the light of the most recent cables concerning the international situation.—Reuter.

French Police Officer Returns to Shanghai

Served in Present War; Awarded Croix de Guerre

M. R. Sarly, Deputy Commissioner of the French Muncipal Police, returned to Shanghai from France a few days ago. The police official came here by way of America. His wife accompanied him.

M. and Mme. Sarly left Shanghai at the beginning of 1939, going to France on furlough. When mobilization orders were issued, M. Sarly, who was a lieutenant in the reserve, was called to the army at Mont-de-Marsan, where he was appointed aide to Colonel Hentschel, formerly commander-in-chief of the French Forces in China.

After training at the General Headquarters Academy, M. Sarly was sent in April 1940, to the headquarters of the alpine army. On June 8, he rejoined the 8th colonial division, which formed a part of the forces in Paris, and took part in the retreat to Bordeaux. He was mentioned twice in despatches and was decorated with the Croix de Guerre.

H.M.A.S. Sydney Back In Australia

Mr. W. M. Hughes Recounts Vessel's Record Abroad

Sydney, Feb. 14.

H.M.A.S. Sydney, the cruiser which sank the Bartolomeo Colleoni, has arrived in harbour.

Mr. W. M. Hughes, Australian Minister of the Navy, in an address of welcome, stated that while abroad, the cruiser had steamed 80,000 miles and fought a score of encounters with ships and shore batteries.

The vessel fired 4,000 shells and withstood 60 bombing attacks. Not a single member of the crew was lost, and the only scars were shrapnel holes in the funnels.

Captain Collins stated in an interview that once, bombs fell so close to the ship "we were deluged with water."

Of Admiral Sir Andrew Cunningham, (Commander-in-Chief in the Mediterranean), Captain Collins said: "He is magnificent. He is imbued with the offensive spirit, and his handling of his forces is a delight to the men under him and a source of grave displeasure to the Italians. He is always thoughtful for Australian ships serving under his command."—Reuter.

Prince Teh in Japan

Shimonoseki, Feb. 14.

Prince Teh, Chief Executive of the Federated Autonomous Government of Mongolia, arrived at Shimonoseki this morning aboard the Koan Maru from Fusan enroute to Tokyo. He is accompanied by General Li Shousin, Commander-in-Chief of the Mongolian Army.—Reuter.

British Youths of 19 To Be Called Up

London, Feb. 14.

Youths of 19 and just over, born between January 1 and December 31, 1921, are to register for military service on Saturday, February 22. This will be the first registration under the proclamation of January 29 extending the age limit to men who had then reached the age of 18, but had not reached 41.—Reuter.

Big Copper Deal Concluded Here

American Trading Company Transfers Coins, Ingots to Japanese Authorities

Although final details have yet to be worked out, a transfer of about $10,000,000 in copper ingots, stored by the American Trading Co. in godowns in the French Concession and International Settlement, to the Japanese authorities has been concluded, it was learned yesterday. The transfer has been negotiated by the American Trading Co. and the Japanese authorities through Mr. Elly Widler who, it may be recalled, was alleged to have been connected with the removal of approximately $3,000,000 in copper coins and ingots from the Commercial Express Company's godown in Szechuen Road a few months ago.

The transfer, it is said, has been referred to the home office of the American Trading Co. in New York, and the final approval is expected in the very near future.

It was also learned that Major K. M. Bourne, Commissioner of the Shanghai Municipal Police, had received a letter from Mr. Harris G. Nelson, attorney for the company, in which the American lawyer stated that as far as the American Trading Co. was concerned, the charges against Mr. Widler could be withdrawn.

This deal, it was also learned, would include the $3,000,000 of copper which were taken by the Japanese authorities previously. On that occasion, the copper was removed from the godown in Szechuen Road on the grounds that it was enemy property, since it was claimed that the copper coins and ingots had been stored there by the Chungking Government.

The Swiss Consulate was questioned with regard to the American Trading Co.'s withdrawal of charges against Mr. Widler, but an official stated that the warrant had not been rescinded. At least, he said, no official change had been noted up to a late hour yesterday.

It may be recalled that a few months ago, copper coins and ingots, estimated at about $3,000,000 had been removed from the Commercial Express Co.'s godown in Szechuen Road. The removal, however, was stated to be only confiscation of enemy property, according to Mr. Widler.

An attempt to arrest Mr. Widler in his apartment in Broadway Mansions by the Settlement Police, armed with a warrant from the Swiss Consulate, failed, but later Mr. Welhelm Bender, an alleged accomplice of Mr. Widler, was arrested by the police. He was subsequently released and the charges against him withdrawn.

*Axis Rejected By Franco

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Officially, observers here late today still were in the dark concerning the Spanish-Italian talks on the Riviera and the Franco-Spanish talks in Montpellier.—United Press.

Africa Said Discussed

Rome, Feb. 14.

The Mediterranean and Africa were the main questions discussed at the meeting at Bordighera between Generalissimo Franco and Il Duce, according to the official Italian news agency quoting "anthorized quarters" in Rome.

Repeating the words of the official communique, the agency adds "Problems arising from the conflict, with which are connected the re-organisation of Europe, and questions concerning the Mediterranean and Africa were discussed.

"On these two points, a perfect identity of views was noted. Spain's attitude of solidarity with the Axis is being continued."—Reuter.

*Tension Rises In Balkans

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of loaded trucks crawled 200 miles through waves of sand.

The New Zealanders, unaccustomed to the desert, soon adapted themselves to conditions. One truck fell over the brink of a sand-dune and rolled 100 feet without being damaged. Hot winds blew a blanket of sand over the convoy.

Month Long Patrol

Patrols separated, each setting off on a 1,000-mile reconnaissance into different parts of enemy territory. Nothing was heard from them at General Headquarters for a month. Then three bands of bearded, unwashed, but exultant "ruffians" appeared in Cairo with a batch of Italian prisoners and bags of captured documents.

One patrol had examined all roads leading to Koufra, penetrated 350 miles into Libya and held up columns of enemy lorries in the best highwayman style. The haul included official mail for Koufra, containing enough information to reveal all dispositions of the enemy in the inner desert area.

A second party had crossed the desert south-west of Koufra, travelled along an ancient caravan route and made contact with a free French outpost in Chad territory.

A third patrol had visited the mountain of Uweinat and destroyed enemy bombers and a large dump of petrol.—Reuter.

*No Immediate Crisis Seen

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ing nor reports that Netherlands ships had been ordered to neutral ports.

Admiral Kichisaburo Nomura, new Japanese Ambassador to Washington, was due to present his credentials to President Roosevelt at noon on Friday (1 a.m. Saturday Shanghai time) in the President's office.—United Press.

Hongkong Evacuation

Hongkong, Feb. 14.

Two thousand Americans, whose continued presence in Hongkong is not essential, have been advised by the United States Consul-General to leave.

A Consulate circular states that the Department of State is making no assumption that a situation of "acute physical danger to American nationals is imminent," and the advice is not meant to be alarmist, being made mainly because of the continued existence in the Far East of political uncertainties.—Reuter.

Spokesman's Regret

Regret at the departure of so many Americans from the Far East was expressed at the Japanese press conference here yesterday. When asked if the recent alarm over the situation in the Pacific was justified the reply was: Japan will never take an attitude which will stir the waves of the Pacific but if strong pressure is exerted on Japan, she may be compelled to take certain measures. Until the last moment, the spokesman continued, Japan will bend every effort to preserve peace in the Pacific. It was added that this was not only the view of the spokesmen but of the Japanese public in general. The Navy spokesman indicated that there was no cause for great alarm.

Asked to comment on the recent Dutch order that Netherlands ships in Pacific waters should go to neutral ports, the navy spokesman said that he had not been notified officially of the order. In answer to another question, he said that Japanese lines with ships going to America, had not altered their sailing schedules.

Dutch Minister Sees Welles

Washington, Feb. 14.

Dr. A. London, Dutch Minister to Washington, conferred yesterday with Mr. Sumner Welles, Under Secretary of State, and afterwards said his visit had been routine and they had not discussed Far Eastern affairs.

Meanwhile, it was understood that Admiral Kichisaburo Nomura, new Japanese Ambassador to the United States, might formally present his credentials today.—United Press.

London Press Opinion

London, Feb. 14.

The critical situation in the Far East was the subject of all leading newspapers here today. While recent developments are viewed with grave concern, it is hoped that counsels of wisdom and caution will prevail in the more rational circles of opinion in Japan, and that prudent consideration now will avert present threats of war in the Pacific. It was heavily emphasized that the advantages accruing from a war in the Pacific to the European partners of the Axis-Japan pact would greatly outweight the potential benefits to Japan.—Reuter.

Fleet Off Indo-China

Saigon, Feb. 14.

Large Japanese naval units, including an aircraft carrier, continued to cruise in southern waters off Indo-China and Thailand, authoritative quarters said today. A Japanese cruiser is expected here tomorrow to replace the Japanese cruiser already here and which last Sunday replaced the cruiser Natori on which the armistice negotiations between Thailand and Indo-China were concluded.

The cruiser here at present, after being replaced, may join the Japanese fleet in the southern waters, the authoritative source believed. The Japanese destroyers which recently arrived off Bangkok were from this fleet, this source said.

The Japanese fleet was reported today just south of Cape St. Jacques, at the entrance to Camrahn Bay.

Although it was officially denied here that the Japanese Battle Fleet was off Haiphong, it was learned that several Japanese naval units were cruising in waters south of Hainan.

Sources connected with the Japanese said that more Japanese troops would arrive at Haiphong within the next few days.

A foreign official told the United Press that he had received authoritative reports from Bangkok that Japanese war materials continued to pour into Thailand even after the signing of the armistice.

He said, however, that he did not know whether the war materials constituted last deliveries of the old Thai contract for Japanese supplies or whether the Japanese were storing the materials in Thailand for possible future use against Singapore.—United Press.

Netherlands Ships Not To Sail North of P. I.

Manila, Feb. 14.

The Netherlands Admiralty has ordered all Dutch shipping in future to remain out of waters north of the Philippines and ordered cancellation of all sailings to Hongkong, Shanghai and Japan, an unimpeachable source told the United Press today.

The orders do not affect, however, the sailing of Dutch ships to the United States and in the southern Pacific, this source added.

These orders were responsible for the return to Manila yesterday of the Tjitjalengka which was to have proceeded to Hongkong.

The Dutch Admiralty orders will be effective as long as the tension in the Pacific remains, the United Press learned.

Meanwhile, four Dutch vessels remained in Manila after the issuance of the orders. The Tjibesar, 16,000 tons, en route to the Netherlands East Indies from Japan was understood to have been ordered to proceed to Manila.—United Press.

Italians Outmanouvred

Bombay, Feb. 14.

"We were out-classed and outmonœuvered," said the Italian prisoners of war landed here today referring to recent operations in Africa.—Reuter.

Soviet Fleet Move Denied

Istanbul, Feb. 14.

Well-informed sources here yesterday termed as ridiculous alleged Japanese reports that the Russian Fleet was assembling in the Bosphorus.

The same sources said nothing was known here of reports Soviet troops were massing on the Russo-Turkish border.—United Press.

Von Lucknow Declared Not in Pacific

German Naval Figure Said "Hunting in Harz Forest"

New York, Feb. 14.

Count Felix von Luckner, famed commander of German sea raiders during the World War, is in Germany and is not commanding a Nazi raider on the south Pacific, said a report here yesterday.

Mr. Lowell Thomas, noted news commentator, in a broadcast yesterday quoted exerpts from a letter from Count von Luckner. The letter was mailed at Halle, Germany, January 1, one day before London despatches reported him as commanding the South Pacific raider.

"I spend most of my time hunting in the great Harz forests and at Ingeborg," Mr. Thomas quoted the letter as saying. "I am living in a log cabin. The snow is so high I am almost cut off from the outside world."—United Press.

THE CINEMA

"Captain Caution"

Dan Marvin .....Victor Mature
Corunna .....Louise Platt
Argandeau .....Leo Carrillo
Slade .....Bruce Cabot
Capt. Dorman .....Robert Barrat
Victorine .....Vivienne Osborne
Lieut. Strope .....Miles Mander
Slushy .....El Brendel
Chips .....Roscoe Ates
Sad Eyes .....Andrew Tombes

With barques and frigates engaging each other to the cry of "Boarders Away," the War of 1812 between England and the United States is brought graphically to the Nanking screen in "Captain Caution," in which picture, however, Capt. Caution is not as cautious as he was dubbed by the young lady of his love. Bound from Shanghai, Hongkong and Canton for an Atlantic port and 103 days out of port the Olive Branch has to surrender to a British man-of-war. Then begin a series of maritime episodes, including the slave traffic which carries the action as far as Marlaix France and London. There is action galore, much two-fisted fighting, sword play and often the marlin spike is used with devastating effect, while of course the climax beings the hero and villain, played respectively by Mr. Victor Mature and Mr. Bruce Cabot, together in a he—man struggle. The former, well over 6 ft. tall, is ideal in this role and he will develop more acting technique as time goes on—at the moment he is immature. Mr. Bruce Cabot displays his polished histrionic ability and is responsible for much of the success of the film, aided by the versatile Mr. Leo Carrillo, who adds those fine points of comedy and villainy of which he is past master. Miss Louise Platt, as the stern New England girl, much in love but capricious, has a difficult portrayal, but she handles her lines and emotional moments excellently. Miss Vivienne Osborne renders a very pleasing portrayal of an emotional French woman, contrasting nicely with the heroine. One welcomes again the comedy team of Messrs. El Brendel and Roscoe Ates, who relieve tense moments with their fine art; and to Mr. Miles Mander full marks for his playing of a British naval lieutenant. Beautiful, billowing canvasses, a fine picture of 130 years ago and fast action make this a gripping picture, despite the fact that Britain and America are shown opposing each other.

Timely is a beautiful colour travelcade of Thailand with adequate commentary.—F.L.T.

"Flowing Gold"

Exciting and quite enjoyable is "Flowing Gold" at the Grand Theatre. It is a story of American oilfields and the rough and ready fellows whose job it is to drill for the precious liquid deep down in the bowels of Mother Earth, the dangers, the heartaches, the joys and disappointments of the men in the fields as they race against time and unscrupulous enemies to find the "flowing gold" with fate, seemingly, against them. Mr. John Garfield is a fine choice for such a role and so is old favourite, Mr. Pat O'Brien, who, naturally, is handed a part that allows him to exhibit his flair for "bossing 'em round" in the typical O'Brien style. In this film Mr. Garfield is cast as an oil man, wanted for murder in Oklahoma and befriended by O'Brien, whom he saves from almost certain death. From that time onwards their friendship is unassailable and together they work against the worst that fate can bring in the shape of oil fires, unscrupulous enemies, lack of money and countless other setbacks to find oil for Miss Frances Farmer and her garrulous, elbow-bending father, Mr. Raymond Walburn, who, thanks to them, finishes up with a sleek limousine and plenty of cash to purchase the liquid refreshment that, previously, he signed for. Unfortunately, although they fight well at the start of the film, Miss Farmer and Mr. Garfield find each other's charms irresistible and they decide to get married, much to the chagrin of Mr. O'Brien, who has an exceptionally soft spot in his hardened frame for the girl. And, what is more unfortunate still, the police catch up with Mr. Garfield and he has to face trial. His wife, however, accompanies him and there is every reason to hope as the film closes that he'll be back in circulation again ere many weeks have passed to get back in the job with his trusted pals Mr. Cliff Edwards (Ukelele Ike), who does a little bit of strumming in the picture, Mr. Tom Jenkins and, of course, Mr. O'Brien and Mr. Walburn, should the latter find time to lift his elbow out of the groove he has made in the counter of the local drink emporium. There are plenty of exciting scenes in the film, some good comedy and plenty of interesting shots of oil men at work.—R.S.

*20,000 Nazi Troops Said in Bulgaria

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Results of these efforts have not yet been made clear, it was said.

Diplomatic circles said this may explain why the transit of Nazi troops had not yet occurred despite favourable weather. It was believed that the Axis idea was to obtain a Turkish-Bulgarian friendship agreement.—Domei.

"Only Matter of Days"

Sofia, Feb. 14.

A high and most reliable source here today said it was only a matter of days before Germany made some move in the Balkans, probably aimed at Greece.

"It does not matter why or where Germany is going to move," said the source, "but only where the move will occur. It might now be said that it is only a matter of days before the move, by way of Bulgaria and perhaps also through Yugoslavia, is made against Greece.

"Germany must move in order to impose peace on Greece before British forces are released, with successful termination of the African campaign, to open a new front in south-east Europe."

Meanwhile, a Government spokesman here, discussing reports that 1,000 German planes had landed and taken over Bulgarian airplane fields, said it was "useless again to deny such fantastic reports."—United Press.

Turkish Liner for Legation

Istanbul, Feb. 14.

The Turkish liner Ismir has been placed at the disposal of the British Legation in Bucharest and is sailing for Constantza to take aboard the British Minister, Sir Reginald Hoare, his staff and British subjects still living in Rumania. The Izmir is expected at Istanbul on Sunday.

It is understood that the Belgian and Dutch representatives in Bucharest also will travel in the liner. The departure of the Izmir is interpreted here as confirmation of the view that Rumania is immediately to sever sea traffic with Turkey.—Reuter.

Rumanian Officials Resign

London, Feb. 14.

The Rumanian Charge d'Affaires in London, M. R. Florescu, and the Press Attache, M. Sargo, who should have returned to Rumania, have tendered their resignations to the Rumanian Government.—Reuter.

Yugoslav Nazi Meet

Rome, Feb. 14.

The Yugoslav Prime Minister and the Foreign Minister will meet the German Foreign Minister at Salzburg, according to the Rome press. A report from Belgrade states they have already left that city.—Reuter.

Rome Claims British Parachute "Invasion"

Troops Declared Dropped On Italy, "Rounded Up"

Rome, Feb. 14.

British parachute troops were dropped on the Italian mainland on the night of February 10, the Italian Military Headquarters announced today. All the troops were captured, the communique claimed.

The parachutists landed in various places in Calabria and Basilicata (Lucania) Provinces, the communique said.

Calabria comprises nearly all the toe of the Italian boot and Basilicata is a province immediately north. Both form one side of the curve of the gulf of Taranto.—United Press.

The British parachutists were armed with machine-guns, hand grenades and various explosives, the communique declared, for the purpose of interrupting communication lines and damaging water mains in southern Italy.

"An exchange of fire took place" during capture of the parachutists, the communique said, "and one Italian sentry and one civilian were killed."

The communique asserted that the troops were captured "before they could do much damage."—United Press.

Donovan in Baghdad

Baghdad, Feb. 13.

Colonel William Donovan, President Roosevelt's personal envoy abroad, arrived here today.

He conferred with Emir Abdullah, the Regent of Iraq, the British Ambassador, and officials of the Irak Government.—Havas.

Venezuela Gives British Mission Fine Welcome

Caracas, Venezuela, Feb. 14.

Great cordiality and evident friendship marked the stay here of the British economic mission to South America, which leaves for England on Saturday.—Reuter.

Canada Building Aerodrome System

Ottawa, Feb. 14.

A system of aerodromes through Alberta and British Columbia, leading to Alaska, is being established by the Canadian Government as a defence measure at a cost of about £2,000,000, it was announced yesterday by Mr. C. G. Power, Minister of Defence and Air Minister.—Reuter.

Valentine Party at Clarendon Club

A Valentine Party was given by Miss Georgina Fuller yesterday at The Clarendon Residential Club, Yuen Ming Yuen Road, celebrating its fifth anniversary. Miss Fuller, its President, founded the Club in 1936.

Mr. A. H. George, British Consul General and Mrs. Arnold Jones were the guests of honour. Mrs. Arnold Jones congratulated the Club and wished it good luck in the future as she cut the cake, assisted by members of the Club.

All the Valentine cakes and candies were decorated personally by Miss Fuller. There were suitable decorations, supplemented by numerous baskets of flowers. Many children in fancy dress added colour to the scene.

After the tea, entertainment was given by a group of children. Marina and Galina gave an original dance and Eda and Lila played selections on the piano and violin, followed by a short dance by the three youngest guests.

Many gifts and cables were sent to the Club, including a cable from Lady Clark Kerr, who is in Chungking and from Lady Maze, who is slightly indisposed and was unable to come.

Among those present were: Dean Trivett; Captain Reed; Dr. A. N. Nelson; Mr. and Mrs. Mores; Mrs. Middleton and Miss Joyce Middleton; Dr. Howson-Lee; Mr. Glenn Fuller; Mr. Fryer and Miss Roberta Fryer; Miss Vivienne Gatton; Miss Joyce Huxley; Miss Elizabeth Smoleff; Mrs. Sinkevitch and Miss Kera Sinkevitch; Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth McKenzie; Miss Nina Kusnetzov.

Bandages for Chinese Wounded Due at Manila

Manila, Feb. 14.

The Philippines Red Cross announced today that 22,500 yards of bandage material for Chinese wounded in the Sino-Japanese war, were due to arrive here on Sunday on the President Coolidge.

The material was shipped by the American Red Cross. The Philippines Chinese Women's Relief Association, cooperating with volunteers and Red Cross nurses will make dressing of the material for wounded Chinese soldiers.

Mr. Francis B. Sayre, Philippines High Commissioner has offered quarters in his official residence for use in manufacturing the bandages. —United Press.

Japanese Announce Officers' Funeral

Tokyo, Feb. 14.

Joint naval funeral services for the late Admiral Baron Mineo Osumi and six other naval offifficers who were killed near Canton in an plane crash on February 5, will be held at the Tsukiji Buddhist Temple on February 20, the Navy Ministry announced. The ashes of the late Admiral Osumi and others are exppected to arrive at the Haneda Airport on February 17, the announcement said.—Domei.

Turkey to Get Oil From Rumania

Berlin, Feb. 14.

Turkey is to receive 160,000 tons of petroleum from Rumania by an agreement just concluded between the two countries according to an Istanbul despatch to the German news agency.—Reuter.

Convoy Attacked by German Raiders

Attack Reported First Since Jervis Bay Battle

London, Feb. 14.

German surface raiders on Wednesday attacked a British convoy in the Atlantic, it was learned reliably yesterday.

The attack was the first by raiders in the Atlantic since the Jervis Bay incident. If the vessels were sunk, it may be days before the toll is known, since once the survivors clear the battle scene, radios will be silenced to prevent a disclosure of positions.

Naval circles confirmed reports that powerful units of the British Fleet in the past few days had swept thousands of miles through the North Atlantic seeking enemy warships.

According to reports, enemy warships were not encountered, the sweep was claimed to be "most successful."—United Press.

THE STAGE

"Cloches de Corneville"

Marquis de Corneville .....Tolchoff
Gaspard .....Rosen
Germaine .....Orlovskaya
Serpolette .....Bitner
Grenicheux .....Slobodskoy
The Sheriff .....Valin

Chosen by the Russian Light Opera to honour L. Rosen, producer and star of most of the troupe's presentations, "Les Cloches de Corneville," comic opera in three acts is one of the best shows staged this season. A full house greeted the benefit performance at the Lyceum Theatre on Thursday night and Rosen did not fail to give the best performance of his local career. This opera was presented at the Lyceum Theatre some two seasons ago, with Kudinoff and Zorich in the leading roles, but it may be well said here that Tolohoff and Orlovskaya, who now play the parts, turned in as good performances as their predecessors. Young Tolohoff, who created quite a sensation in his first appearance as Hadji-Murat a month ago, thrilled the feminine part of the audience with his singing and looks, although his voice could be improved by more coaching. Orlovskaya was good as usual and once again demonstrated that she is without a rival on the local light opera stage. Her acting was natural and her singing good. The best performance, however, was that of the honoured star. Known to be one of the best actors in this part of the world, whether he plays a dramatic or comic role, the veteran star was ideally cast as old Gaspard, an avaricious person, who covets another man's wealth only to find that the owner is alive and in love with his own step-daughter. The scene in which Gaspard goes temporarily mad was one of the best ever seen on the local stage and Rosen fully deserved the applause that followed. Valin, usually the live-wire of the light opera, was cast in a small role, but acquitted himself well. Others noted for their performances were Bitner and Slobodskoy, both doing their share to make the presentation a success.—L.M.

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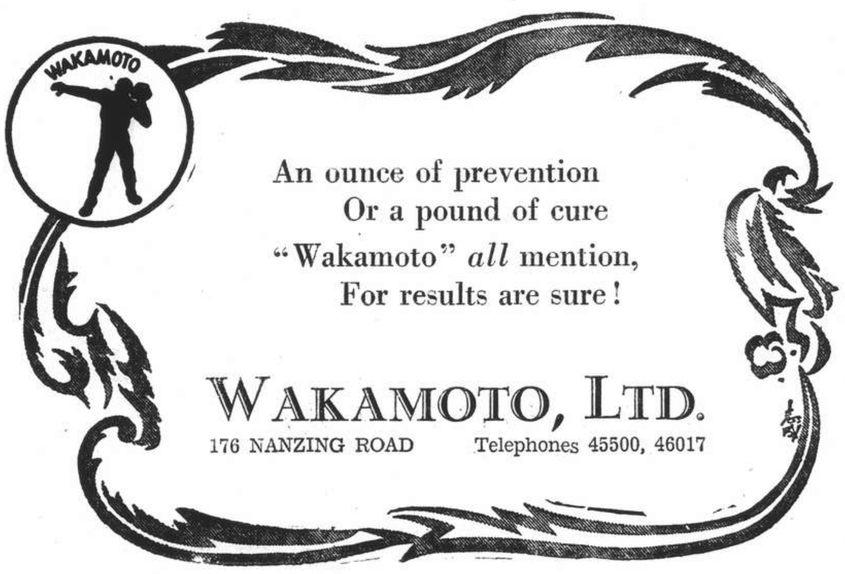

Colonel Hornby Honoured At R.A.F. Tiffin

Tankard Presented by Association to Departing S.V.C. Commandant

THE guest of honour at the weekly R.A.F.A. tiffin yesterday was Colonel J. W. Hornby, M.C., retiring commandant of the S.V.C. Colonel Hornby, who is a member of the Association, was presented with a tankard by Mr. V. J. B. Holland, the President, on behalf of the gathering. In speaking of the guest Mr. Holland mentioned his excellent services for the Volunteer Corps during a time of unusual strain, and complimented him on the manner in which he has maintained the traditions of the Corps. Other guests at the tiffin included Mr. Hugh Middleton, President of the British United Services Association, M. R. Egal, leader of the local De Gaulle movement, Lt.-Col. G. H. Mann, M.C. and Major H. S. Bartley.

Mr. Holland's speech follows:—

"When I asked Col. Hornby, on your behalf, to honour the Association as our official guest before his departure from Shanghai on his recall to serve his country in other war areas, I was fully aware that there are good colonels and bad ones. We all recall the actions of some colonels, particularly those who support Nazism, but these colonels are bad ones and are not members of the R.A.F.A., whereas Col. Hornby is, and we, having selected a good colonel, invited him to step out of his membership chair to be our official guest today.

"I do not know what the colonel's ideas of aviators may be, but I venture to suggest that he would also say that there are good ones and bad ones, but the bad ones are not members of the R.A.F.A.

"We all appreciate the good work the Colonel has done for the Corps, through a difficult period, probably the most hectic and most active period in the history of the Corps.

"He arrived in 1937, during the early stages of the China Incident, and has seen for himself the effects of aerial bombardment in its elementary stages.

"I had not the good fortune to meet the Colonel during the first few months of his period of duty as Commandant of the S.V.C., and it was only natural that immediately on my return to Shanghai from a spot of leave in December 1937 that I should ask of my S.V.C. friends "What of the new Commandant?" My old company the Air Defence supplied the answer, "He's tough but very efficient."

Power of Concentration

"To have got so far so fast the Colonel must have the quality of intense concentration, which is what one feels in the most casual encounter with him. But beneath his toughness of mind and capacity for work is an underlying warmth which has endeared him to our ranks and all nationalities in this International Corps.

"He bases his decisions on facts not opinions, and that is what has endeared him in the hearts of all ranks. 'Be fair' is the favourite motto of the Colonel. He has an astounding gift of putting himself in the other fellow's place. Consequently the Corps today stands high in efficiency and we Shanghailanders of all nationalities in the Corps desire to give our best service to it.

"All can be sure that due to his great technical efficiency and his understanding of human nature that such valuable services can be more profitably used elsewhere, and much as we realize this we regret his departure.

"Col. Hornby, we members of the R.A.F.A. take this opportunity of publicly thanking you for the work you have done for our city, and ask you to accept this tankard, the emblem of the R.A.F.A., as a token of our appreciation, and we wish you Good Hunting and when it's all over Happy Landings."

Association Thanked

In his reply, Colonel Hornby thanked the Association for the presentation and the honour conferred on him in being invited to the Dome as guest of honour. He also thanked Mr. Holland for his remarks, "many of which, I am afraid," he said, "I will be unable to live up to."

The speaker went on to say that he had always regarded it as a great privilege to be a member of the Royal Air Force Association. "In the present war the R.A.F. is absolutely it—no words are too good for them," he said. Colonel Hornby then remarked on the opportunities created by such an organization as the R.A.F.A., which makes it possible for peoples of all nationalities to mix and obtain each others viewpoints. He concluded by stressing the duty of Britons to enlist with H. M. Forces, and stated that all those eligible for service should seriously ask themselves whether they should not help the Allied cause.

Napoleon's Tactics Used in Honan

Japanese Spokesman Says Objective Simply to Deal Severe Blow to Enemy

Napoleon's tactics are being used by the Japanese forces in Honan, according to the army spokesman at yesterday's press conference here. In answer to a question on the latest situation, he said that the Japanese forces in Honan have returned to their original positions. Chinese propaganda agencies, he said, had been trying to construe the movement as a Japanese retreat but the Japanese objective was not to occupy certain positions. It was rather, he said, to deal a severe blow to the enemy. This mobile kind of campaign, the spokesman stated, could be traced to Napoleon who once declared that if the enemy is dealt a serious blow, victory must be secured.

It had been ascertained that Central troops were planning to move eastward, the army spokesmen said, and the Japanese campaign in Honan had been carried out to block the Chinese plan.

There were strong forces of Chinese troops in the mountains north of Ichang, the spokesmen stated, and these were suffering from lack of food. They were trying to move down to the Yangtze valley where food was ample.

The rift between Central and Communist troops in the Chinese army was partly politcial and partly owing to trouble over territory, said the spokesman. The reports of an imminent Japanese move southward were just Chinese propaganda, said the spokesman, indicating that the Chungking position was so weakened that such a move was necessary for its salvation, the assumption being that such a Japanese move would bring to a halt the attack on Central troops. Japan will continue to fight, said the spokesman, until the Chungking government ceases to resist.

Alleged Traffickers in Children Detained

Suspected Members of Organized Band

Eleven alleged members of a well organized band of kidnappers trafficking in children were held for trial by the First Special District Court yesterday when a successful application was made by the police for a writ of detention to be issued against them, following their arrest.

Seven kidnappings and five robberies have been laid at the door of the gang, Mr. T. Lea, Assistant Municipal Advocate, told the court, adding that further important disclosures may be expected after the police have closed their enquiries into the case.

In most of the abductions it was stated, the victims were school children attending classes in the western area. The victims only secured their liberty after ransoms had been paid by their relatives.

Russians Sent to Jail

Nicolay I. Toumanoff, 36, Russian, was sentenced to three years' imprisonment by the First Special District Court yesterday for theft of $13,000 worth of leather. Two accomplices, Vladimir Ponamoreff and E. P. Kariaeff, were sent to prison for eight and three months respectively. The second accused, a woman, was convicted of receiving stolen goods. Her sentence however, was suspended for two years.

The principal offender, it was stated, had several previous covictions against him and admitted he alone participated in the actual theft and removed the leather on six different occasions from 305-21 Kungping Road between January 2 and 4 last.

When arrested Toumanoff was in possession of a loaded pistol stolen from the French Municipal Police here last year.

MR. Malcolm MacDonald, as Minister of Health, is said to be fully aware of the responsibility of his Department for the preservation of the health of London in these trying times. A first-class administrator—better in that respect at least than his father ever was—he has always believed in being out and about and seeing things for himself. As most people know his mother was a Gladstone, and she made provision for the education of the children. Malcolm had an English and not a Scottish education, for he went to Bedale's School, in Hampshire, and Queen's College, Oxford. He lives in his father's old house at Hampstead, and at 40 years of age remains a bachelor.

Council Executive May Resume Talks

Press Parleys Would Go On If Useful Purpose Served to Public

An indication of the willingness of the Shanghai Municipal Council to give wider publicity to the public in Municipal affairs and the activities and functions of its various committees was evidenced in a statement made by Mr. G. Godfrey Phillips, Secretary and Commissioner-General of the Council, when interviewed by a representative of the "North China Daily News." In reply to an enquiry he expressed his readiness to hold further press conferences similar to the one which he gave recently on the question of inequality of taxation, provided there was a general feeling among press representatives that such parleys would serve a useful purpose.

Recently it will be noted that the Council's publicity office has issued more exhaustive and detailed reports on various Municipal affairs and at more frequent interval than hitherto.

The conference held the other day, Mr. Phillips emphasized yesterday, must be regarded as an experiment. Asked how he considered that press conference should be held, he thought that once a month would be ample.

In repy to a question as to whether he would continue to answer interrogatories at the conferences, Mr. Phillips replied that he would not, of course, guarantee to answer any questions that might be put, but would do his best. He pointed out, however, that he would be better able to reply if the questions were sent in writing in advance.

He added that he was willing to submit himself to cross-examination, nor, of course, was the purpose of the press conference to afford an opportunity for venting criticisms against the Council as opposed to the putting of questions for the purpose of eliciting information. He thought the whole matter could be left to the good sense of press representatives, and felt that if the conferences were continued, a procedure could be devised which would prove satisfactory all round.

Bomber Saved by Chance Meeting

Craft Sent Back on Right Course After Night Raid

London, Feb. 14.

The story of how a Wellington bomber which had lost its course after a night raid was saved by a chance meeting over the North Sea with another British plane, is told by the Admiralty newspaper.

The Wellington had to grope its way home, its wireless out of action and with little less than an hour's supply of petrol. The machine was actually flying directly away from home when suddenly out of the half light of the rising sun appeared a Hudson reconnaissance plane of the Coastal Command.

The captain of the Wellington signalled by hand: "How far to nearest land?"—"Follow me!" was the Hudson's reply. The Wellington turned and followed the Hudson, which made the way back to an aerodrome near the Scottish coast, 140 miles away.

When the Wellington landed its petrol tank was dry, while the Hudson circled above it to see if it got down safely, before proceeding to its own base.—Reuter.

Car Commandeered

A hire car of the Johnson Garage was commandeered by four robbers two armed, last night at Brenan Piece to where the car had been ordered. Two of the robbers intimidated the chauffeur and forced him to drive to 112 Tongsin Road where three of the robbers got in and committed an armed robbery while their confederate watched the chauffeur. The car later was driven to Singapore Road from where the robbers alighted and escaped into Chinese territory.

Chinese Bishop to Be Consecrated

Ceremony Tomorrow in Church of Our Saviour

Another Chinese Bishop for the *Chung Hua Sheng Kung Hui* is to be consecrated tomorrow in Shanghai. Archdeacon Addison Ki Song Hsu will be made Assistant Bishop of the Kwangsi-Hunan Diocese, of which the Rt. Rev. Percy Stevens is in charge. The service will be held in the Church of Our Saviour on Rue Maresca at ten o'clock, and visitors will be welcomed up to the seating capacity of the church. It is expected that eleven bishops will be present for the ceremony, including the President-Bishop of the *Chung Hua Sheng Kung Hui*, Bishop T. Arnold Scott, D.D., of North China.

Archdeacon Hsu is a native of Siangtan, Hunan, and is forty-three years old. He graduated from Boone University in Wuchang in 1922, and from then to 1928 was a teacher in All Saints Middle School, Yungchow. He was then ordained and from 1929 to 1940 served at Christ Church, Yungchow, first as curate and then as vicar, and was made Archdeacon in 1937. He visited England in 1935-1936, and studied at Cambridge, besides doing deputation work for the Church Missionary Society an helping with the parish work at Christ Church, Folkestone. After his consecration he will be the eighth Chinese Bishop now holding office in the Chinese branch of the Anglican Communion.

On Monday next the House of Bishops and the Standing Committee of this church will hold joint meetings for the consideration of important problems of the present time. The Board of Missions, which maintains the Missionary Diocese of Shensi, and the Board of Directors of the Central Theological School at Peiping, will also meet on Monday or Tuesday.

Poverty Drives Russian Woman to Suicide

Poverty claimed another victim early yesterday morning when the common law husband of Xenia Erontievna Poliakova awoke to find her hanging in the alcove of their little room of the Naigai Wata Kaisha mills quarters at 881 Gordon Road.

The police were notified of the suicide at about 8.30 a.m. when they received a telephone call from the General Hospital, to which the woman had been taken in an S.F.B. ambulance.

It was learned that the husband of the suicide, employed by the firm as a chauffeur, went to bed at about 11.30 p.m. on Thursday, while his wife remained reading. At about 6.30 a.m. yesterday, he awoke and saw that his wife was not in bed. Looking around, he saw her hanging in the alcove of their room. She had committed suicide by using a belt from her dress.

The suicide left a brief a note, saying that she was tired of living and that she had decided to end her life. It was believed, however, that she had been driven to suicide by poverty.

She was about 35 years of age and had lived at the mill quarters for the past two years.

OBITUARY

Mr. William J. Kealy

William J. Kealy, former well-known manager of the Commercial Pacific Cable Company for many years in Shanghai, died at his home yesterday in San Francisco.

A CAMPAIGN to raise sufficient funds to buy 100 fighting planes for the Chinese Government will shortly be launched by the Szechuan branch of the National Aviation Reconstruction Association in Chengtu, says a report to the "Shun Pao." Committees will be organized in various cities and municipalities in the province to take charge of the campaign, the report adds.

Another Tense Day In Stock Market

Buyers Put Up Strong Front Attracted by Low Prices

After several days of tension and hectic trading with political rumours playing havoc with share prices, an element of surprise was injected into the Stock Exchange yesterday after the opening of the market, with buyers showing a formidable front, the first in days, being attracted by the low prices. Small investors, speculators and others sustained staggering losses, running into a total of many millions as a consequence of the upheaval and numerous operators were completely wiped out.

On Wednesday afternoon after the close of trading apprehensions were felt for the next day which were justified when buyers who were anxious to restore confidence in the local market, could not stand up against the sellers, being easily outnumbered.

Yesterday it was thought that the market would take a turn for the worse, but the appearance of a number of buyers who took advantage of the low levels to buy, restored some confidence and caused a rise in many shares which, however, toppled again to some extent, when the sellers took a stronger stand.

Rates opened considerably low, but the market gave a good account of itself and although the low undertone was not dissipated at the close of the morning's trading, the outlook was regarded as optimistic. With the market closed for trading yesterday afternoon, and today, many quarters are confident that the few days respite might result in confidence being regained in the market when it opens again for trading.

Issues Stand Up Well

Heavy liquidation yesterday was well absorbed, though in a somewhat erratic way, certain shares like Docks, Ewos being steady all morning, maintaining much the same rates as they did when the market opened. Owing to a large overbought position, Wheelocks were steady early but liquidation brought prices to $81 with no buyer and closed at 82. Business was good in Trust Companies newer issues including textiles, Ewo Breweries and worsted, which stood up extremely well.

Explorations saw a heavy turnover. Rubbers were under pressure with lower prices, but held steady with the opening and closing quotations much the same.

The opinion was expressed in certain circles yesterday that the market had almost reached its bottom level. Rumours that a wholesale evacuation of Chinese from Hongkong was imminent and that the Central Reserve Bank cheques would be cleared through the Chinese bankers' clearing house caused considerable unrest and had their repersussions in the stock market, affecting principally Chinese operators.

Enquiries elicited that forward operators and lone small investors have been hard hit by the slump in prices ruling for the past few days, causing many fortunes to be lost almost overnight.

Soiree in Aid of St. Tichon's Orphanage

Tickets for the Special soirée in aid of St. Tichon's Orphanage, which is to take place at the French Club on February 28 at 9.30 p.m., may be obtained from any member of the organizing committee (Mme. J. Barraud, Mrs. W. R. McBain, Mrs. L. Synnerberg, Miss Y. de Gherardi, Messrs. A. Jaspar, E. F. Harris, L. Ducimetière, J. Kindness) or from the Orphanage, 95 Avenue Victor Emmanuel (telephone 72795).

Those who have purchased tickets should make table reservations either by applying personally at the enquiry desk in the hall of the French Club or by telephoning to Mr. E. F. Harris (15009). Telephone reservations cannot be made at the French Club. Table reservations should not be made until tickets have been purchased.

Heavy Sentences Await Portuguese

Charged with Operating Gambling, Opium Dens; Released on Bail

Charged with operating gambling dens, three Portuguese are undergoing trial at the Portuguese Consulate-General, it was revealed yesterday. The three men are Luiz Antonio Perpetuo, arrested in connection with the police raid on a flat in an apartment house at 1477 Bubbling Well Road on December 26; R. Xavier, connected with a gambling den at the Denis Apartments; and J. M. Botelho, implicated in running a luxurious gambling establishment on top of the Silver Palace at 982 Avenue Foch.

In addition to being charged with running the dens, Perpetuo and Botelho are also charged with operating opium smoking rooms, a crime which is exceptionally heavily punished by the Portuguese law.

Questioned by a reporter of the "North-China Daily News," Dr. J. A. Ribeiro de Melo, Portuguese Consul-General and Consular Judge here, said that the men would have got away with suspended sentences had they only operated gambling dens, but the presence of narcotic paraphernalia on the raided premises, proved to have been exploited, made all the difference. The sentence for this offence, he said, might well be for several years.

Dr. de Melo also said that it was a pity that these men should be punished, since in every case they were used as blinds for the Chinese owners, receiving small pay for allowing their names to be used. All three are out on bail, the heaviest being that of Perpetuo, fixed by the Portuguese court at $1,000.

The raid on the gambling den at 1477 Bubbling Well Road on December 26, it may be recalled, was the first made by the Settlement Police in their drive to clean up every gambling and opium den in their area. The flat, in which the gambling den was operated, had been under police observation for some time before they raided it. Eight Chinese were detained following the raid, in addition to Perpetuo.

The second accused, R. Xavier, is charged with running a den at the Denis Apartments. This place was raided by the police on January 11, when detectives suprised several foreigners and Chinese on the premises and seized many documents and statements of accounts.

The third person to face the Portuguese court, J. M. Botelho, was connected with the luxurious gambling and opium dens on top of the Silver Palace in Avenue Foch, which were raided by the detectives on February 1.

Japan's Moscow, Berlin Envoys to Confer

Gen. Oshima Entertained En Route to Germany

Moscow, Feb. 13.

Japanese-Soviet-German relations will be thoroughly reviewed between Lieut.-Gen. Yoshitsugu Tatekawa, Japanese Ambassador here, and Lieut.-Gen. Hiroshi Oshima, newly-appointed Japanese Ambassador to Germany, who arrived here this morning en route to his post.

Lieut.-Gen. Tatekawa will be host at an elaborate dinner party to be given for Lieut.-Gen. Oshima tonight, while at dinner tomorrow, the German Ambassador here, Count Werner von der Schulenburg is expected to be present. Ambassador Oshima will leave for Berlin on Saturday.—Domei.

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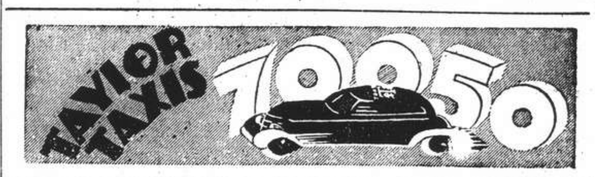

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THE SPORTS PAGE

Annual Hunt Club Meet Today

Bagshot Favoured to Win Feature Event of the Day; Three Steeplechases Included in the Programme

THE Annual Race Meeting of the Shanghai Paper Hunt Club will be held this afternoon when a programme of ten events, seven flat and three steeplechases will be run-off. With the weather having taken a turn for the better yesterday there is promise of some fine racing today, commencing at 1.15 p.m. when the first saddling bell will be rung.

The principal feature of the day, as far as traditional importance is concerned, is the Club Challenge Cup; a forced-entry event for all qualified ponies, and there are eleven ponies listed of which seven are expected to start. They are:

Bagshot—A. F. Clark—155; Bobby—A. V. Striker—155; Chemorlight—J. L. Kay—152; Saucylight—R. H. Robertson—161; Steve Brodie—H. Azadian—155; White Patched—Y. H. Chou—155; White Whiskers—John Sparke—158.

Bagshot Should Win

If Bagshot should start and even put up a mediocre exhibition of jumping there is no question of him winning this race. Though he has been known to have refused a couple in the hunts I think he should be well worth a wager if he starts, as surely he must have given his rider some indication of his chances during his schooling. A very dangerous contender for the first place, should he falter, will be Bobby who is a tried jumper, and honest as they make 'em. For the remaining place the chances of Steve Brodie and White Whiskers are about equal.

The three-quarter mile Beef Stakes is the first race and I find that reference to last year's results is a great help in telling ability of the ponies. Ginger (formerly known as Shuttleworth) was the winner last year and with the assistance of 'Buffy" Maitland today seems to stand an excellent chance of repeating his performance. Adrian (Chester Fritz) may follow him while Highlight may fill the remaining place.

The next race is the Stewards Cup, twice round and in, and I see no reason why Baylight should not win this race although he was third last year to Mist, who is also starting. The latter, will have to carry a five-pound penalty. Penny is well respected and is expected to do the trick by his stable connections. Milady and white Pilot are two other ponies that are well fancied, especially the latter who is a fine looking animal.

Has Shown Good Form

White Night has shown good form in his schooling over the sticks and as I cannot see anything to equal him on the flat I think he should win the Jorrocks although he is essentially a short-distance pony. With a good rider Malenki should finish among the first three while Safety First, who adapted himself to the steeplechase course very well, may be worth a modest place wager.

The "Z" Class Champions appears to be a toss-up between Aeolus and Ali Bey. For preference I take the former. If Lemberg should be ridden by a hard riding jockey he should fill the remaining berth. I do not fancy Hung Mah.

The Chehalis Handicap "B" class is the sixth race and as there has been no racing for the last six weeks tipping is particularly difficult today. However, I do not think I can be far off in selecting Pivot Boy to win this race as he likes the distance (three-quarters of a mile). His most dangerous rivals appear to be El Chico and Duntai. If Brown Bomber should elect to start here he should be placed. The "A" section of the handicap may fall to Blue Boy, who may be followed past the winning post by Happy Challenger and National Pride.

Northwood Fancied in 8th Race

The eighth race may see the favourite, Northwood, get off to a season's start by winning this race from Night Express and Cordon Rouge. Apart from Ashridge I do not think the other entrants stand a chance against these first-raters although the handicapper has given them liberal allowances. I do not think it is necessary to look any further than Goldie for the winner of the Silver Spur Handicap "B" class. For places Ideal King and Telegram are useful.

The last race may see Brown Bomber triumph over a rather common field to win. Goldenray and Cyclone Bill may provide strong competition while the rogue Dazara should be in the picture.

Women's Hockey Games For This Week-end

The women's hockey programme for today and tomorrow has been slightly curtailed as the Race Course is unavailable this afternoon. However, four matches will be played over the week-end.

None of the matches will be of importance having no bearing on the present league race which virtually has been won by the Greens. The closest match on the programme appears to be the Shanghai Ladies against the Erin Villa this afternoon at Kiaochow Park. Erin Villa has shown marked improvement in their last two matches and the score should be close.

On Sunday the only "A" division clash, between the Sokols and the A.S.P. "A" should result in a complete rout for the Russian team which has failed to show any form this winter.

The other two matches on Sunday are "B" league games. In the first, the Betar will play the S.J.S. while in the next the J.A.C. will meet the Erin Villa.

Swinging Light Wins Waterloo Cup

Liverpool Feb. 14.

Swinging Light, owned by Mr. C. M. Cohan, won the Waterloo Cup, the Blue Riband of the coursing world, at Altcar, Liverpool.

Mr. Cohan is well-known in Liverpool shipping circles and had never previously won the cup, though he had won the Waterloo Purse in 1938.

Swinging light was sired by Dead Rock, the 1935 winner, whose progeny won in the last three years.—Reuter.

Transport Coy. Holds Camp

Commanded by Capt. J. G. Forbes, the Transport Company, S.V.C. held its Annual Camp last week-end under very favourable weather conditions, at the Rifle Range. This year's Camp Programme was not as difficult to prepare as to execute on time, as, for the first time in the history of the Unit, the Road Test for licenced drivers (the Marden Trophy Test) was held in the Central District under actual traffic conditions, instead of at the tranquil Rifle Range. Also, besides the usual Revolver Competition, some time had to be allotted to rifle drill, a higher standard of which is now required, as the Unit has volunteered to aid the Infantry in "B" Sector Duties, in addition to its normal driving duties.

On this occasion the Marden Trophy Test, which is varied each year, included a test for "hill climbing" both "forward" and "reverse" at the Range hillock, the only "catch" being to drive a Karrier lorry, purchased in 1928 for The Shanghai Field Battery and still going strong, instead of an up-to-date lorry. The Test also included questions on the Topography of Shanghai to test that drivers really know the important landmarks in the Defence Sectors.

On Sunday morning, shortly after the Inspection, the Instructors supplied by S.V.C. Headquarters, Corps S.M. J.A. Tibble and Sergt. J. A. Williams of "A" Coy, expounded the mysteries of rifle drill to recruits, and the senior members were exercised in the instructions for the Changing of the Guard. During the morning the Commandant, Colonel J. W. Hornby, M.C., visited the Unit accompanied by Staff Officers Major H. S. Bartley and Capt. J. Moffat.

The Revolver Cup Competition was won by a newcomer, Driver V. H. Peshkoff of No. 3 Platoon and Driver R. Klingenberg of No. 2 Platoon, both veteran marksmen who tied for the second place.

The successful execution of the Camp Programme is attributed to the Driving Instructors, Lieuts. D.S.M. Fraser and E. A. Berthet; the Revolver Instructor, 2/Lieut. H. L. Hill; the Honorary Secretary, Corporal O. P. Pleshkoff; and the Assistant Examiners, among whom was the ex-Sergt Major "Charlie" Riley.

The grateful thanks of the Unit must be expressed to the Shanghai Municipal Police for the loan of additional lorries which were necessary to complete the driving tests on time.

Junior Cup Final This Afternoon

There will be only two football matches this afternoon, since the Recreation Grounds will be closed to the public, the reason being the Annual Race Meet of the Shanghai Paper Hunt Club.

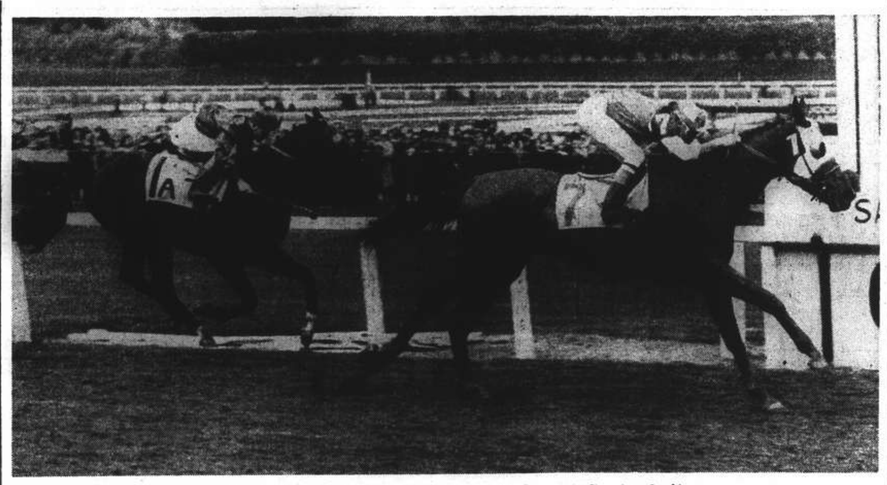
The first game will be between A.S.F. and P.T.H., the cellarites of the First Division, at the Canidrome at 2.30 p.m. Judging by past performances, the Foreign Legion should experience no difficulty in disposing of their weaker opponents. The P.T.H., however, will field a stronger team this week-end than did last Saturday when they went down to the S.F.X. by 0-4.

Billy Tingle will reappear on the team, but his long absence from active soccer may prove to be a disadvantage. The forward line, however, will be stronger than it has been for some time, with Huff Cochran back to lead his colleagues.

The other match is important as far as junior teams are concerned, since it will be the Junior Cup final, with Old Westonians and Wha Lien at the Aurora. The former are given the edge to vanquish their rivals, having disposed of every team in the Third Division. They are also the only team to have defeated Xaverians twice during the same season, once in a Cup game, and the other time in League competition.

Last year, the Three Cultures, who this year appear to be the logical winners of the Tsz Ling Cup, won the trophy when they met and defeated Aurora at the Kiaochow Park in a very disappointing game. This season, however, it looks as if the foreigners will again recapture the cup.

Two screen "unknowns" have the leading roles in Orson Welles' new RKO Radio picture, "Citizen Kane." Dorothy Comingore, who has previously been seen only in a few "bits," and Ruth Warwick, a newcomer to the screen, are cast as Kane's wives.



Yankee Dandy Wins Champion Stakes at Santa Anita

C. S. Howard's Yankee Dandy streaks home ahead of the field in the California Breeders' Champion Stakes, the feature event of the opening day at the Santa Anita track. Tin Pan Alley was second. Yankee Dandy paid $5.40 only to win.

C.S.F., Lusitano Triumph Easily

8-1 Victories Scored by Winners; Union Church Loses to Country Club

The C.S.F. scored an impressive victory over the Sokol in the Mixed Doubles section of the badminton league when they trounced the Russians to win by the overwhelming count of eight games to one. This score was duplicated at the Country Club when the "B" team succumbed to their visitors, the Clube Lusitano, by the same count. The closest tussle of the evening was seen at the Union Church premises when the home team put up unexpectedly strong opposition against the Country Club "A" to go downing fighting by the narrow margin of one game, the final score being 5-4.

Mrs. Richards and Flood had an easy time against Miss Malinovsky and Nastavin who were entirely lost in the face of the aggressive tactics of the winners. Settling down early the French Club displayed much smoother team play to have the losers running after the shuttle for a defensive game. The Russian pair failed to make any impression whatsoever in the first set and lost 15-0. They were slightly better in the next and managed to amass four points while in the final sets they reach five points.

Miss Onatzevich and Bocevitch gave Mrs. Jorgensen and Saul a hectic time before going down in defeat in three sets. They extended the winners in the opening game to a 12-15 set but did not do well in the next frame. They were perhaps unlucky to have lost the last set as the score was tied at 14-all before the French Club pair managed to snatch the deciding point.

Mrs. Tronynovsky and Kotliaroff started off indifferently to give Miss Sharp and Mackinnon little or no opposition in the first two sets, but staging a brilliant rally in the final frame they prevented the C.S.F. from scoring a shut-out victory by taking the last set 15-7.

De Senna and Miss Pereira did not encounter much difficulty in disposing of the Mrs. Knipschildt and Beeching. They ran off each set with greater ease that the score indicates. They were in their element in the final set when they only allowed their opponents four points against their 15.

The Country Club's only point was earned in the second-couple encounter when Mrs. Morcher and Duff lost 2-1 to Miss Canavarro and da Silva. These three sets were the closest of the series. The visitors got off to a good start by taking the first game after a close struggle by 15-11. The Country Club tied the count when they won the next 15-8. With both sides going full out in the final game a titanic struggle resulted with the Portuguese two eventually coming through on the right side of a 15-12 count.

Mrs. Beeching and Stevens though losing to Mrs. Silva and Oliveira gave the winners a lot of trouble in the first two sets and at certain period of the game looked as if they might win. They collapsed suddenly in the last set and were annihilated by the winners by the score of 15-3.

The detailed scores were:—

Sokol 1; C.S.F. 8

Miss Malinovsky and Nastavin lost to Mrs. Richards and Flood 0-15, 4-15, 5-15.
Miss Onatzevich and Bocevitch lost to Mrs. Jorgensen and Saul 12-15, 8-15, 14-15.
Mrs. Troynovsky and Kotliaroff lost to Miss Sharp and Mackinnon 2-15, 10-15, 15-7.

Country Club "B" 1;

Clube Lusitano 8

Mrs. Knipschildt and Beeching lost to de Senna and Miss Pereira 7-15, 9-15, 4-15.
Mrs. Morcher and Duff lost to Miss Canavarro and da Silva 11-15, 15-8, 12-15.
Mrs. Beeching and Stevens lost to Mrs. da Silva and Oliveira 10-15, 12-15, 3-15.

Union Church 4;

Country Club "A" 5

Miss Harrop and Kew beat Bates and Mrs. Burton 2-1.
Miss Kemp and N. D. Chelmis lost to Miss Holwill and Impey 1-2.
Miss Ballingall and G. D. Chelmis lost to Mrs. Cox and Orr 1-2.

Three Excellent Rugger Encounters Tomorrow

French Forces Playing Crack Japanese Side

Despite the fact that the Race Course is closed today to all field sports a most attractive programme of rugby has been arranged for tomorrow afternoon when three matches will be played off, Japanese fifteens participating in each engagement. The most attractive encounter is obviously that between the French Forces and the Shanghai Japanese Rugby Association "A" XV at 2.15 p.m. The Japanese side, undefeated at the Race Course this winter, will undoubtedly field a strong side and the French will have a most difficult task on their hands in maintaining their recent unbeaten record. On the other hand if the visitors are functioning with their habitual well-oiled preciseness they should come out on top.

At 3.15 p.m. a strong Club "A" XV will meet the Shanghai Japanese Rugby Association 2nd XV and if the hosts play as they can play then they should have little difficulty in gaining the day. The pack, with the exception of one player is that of the 1st XV.

At 3 p.m. on Ground No. 2 (Rugby), a Club "B" side that contains a number of quite useful players will take on the Shanghai Japanese 3rd XV. The visitors have not been seen in action at the Race Course yet this winter but it is learned that they are very little inferior to their 2nd XV and should gain a runaway victory.

Country Club Tie With Race Club

Tussle Undecided as One Game Postponed; Cumine And Benavitch Win

The senior division squash racquets encounter between the Race Club and Country Club held last night failed to reach a conclusive decision as honours were divided in the four matches played, the score being two-all. The match between J. W. Pote-Hunt and R. B. Gotch was postponed.

With the exception of M. Benavitch's clash with W. Z. Hoggarth all matches were keenly contested for and went the full length of five sets. Eric Cumine playing in the No. 1 berth for the Jockeys engaged H. M. Snow to a gruelling tussle before subdueing his fast tiring opponent. The first game went to 10-9, in favour of Cumine, but Snow manage to get his low drives along the side walls in with devasting effect. The next two games consequently fell to him but in a strong come-back Cumine annexed the fourth set. His superior stamina saw him run through the last game without much difficulty to win 9-5.

Benavitch had Hoggarth completely at his mercy during the entire three sets and there was never any doubt as to the eventual outcome as the loser was given little opportunity to do anything but retrieve the winner's accurately placed shots. Hoggarth made a strong bid for victory in the first set in which he extended Benavitch to a 9-7 set. There was no mistaking Benavitch's superiority in the next two sets as he only dropped one point.

The Country Club earned their two points through F. E. T. Marshall and Gordon Brown. The former engaged Striker to a slamming duel to come out on top, while J. R. Jacob engaged Gordon Brown to another gruelling five sets before being defeated.

Race Club Ladies Beat Leaders

Blanket Finish Foreseen In Ten Pin League Series; Mrs. Collaco Takes Triple

A blanket finish is foreseen in the Ladies' Ten Pin Handicap League. Yesterday's fixtures saw the Swiss Club, leaders in the league standings, drop two games to the Race Club, and the "Y" Women's Sports Section defeat the Columbians on the odd game.

The Swiss Club trio went down heavy in the opening frame of their match with the Race Club as Mrs. Hagnauer was the only player to return a tally over the century. However, they warmed up in the succeeding frames to snatch the third preventing a shutout.

Mrs. Collaco flashed a well-played single of 203 in the first game of the "Y"—Columbia match, which wiped out her previous high single for the Season to date. The day's triple honours were also credited to her on a score of 521, which is still far below past years' standard.

The scores follow:—

"Y" W.S.S. 2		Columbia C.C. 1	
Mrs. Bojesen	376	Mrs. Hale	405
Mrs. Sobel	517	Mrs. Boardman	426
Mrs. Collaco	521	Mrs. McDonnell	505
Handicap	177	Handicap	201
	1,591		1,547

R. Race Club 2		Swiss Club 1	
Mrs. Pote-Hunt	130		
Mrs. Boardman	399	Mrs. Eisenhut	413
Mrs. Prince	445	Mrs. Schmid	384
Miss Picozzi	265	Mrs. Hagnauer	357
Handicap	291	Handicap	279
	1,530		1,433

Team Standings

Swiss Club	8	4	.667
"Y" W.S.S.	6	6	.500
Columbia C.C.	5	7	.417
S. Race Club	5	7	.417

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To-day at 1.15 p.m.

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English Horse in Santa Anita Race

Los Angeles, Feb. 14.

Heliopolis, the English-bred horse which ran third in the 1939 Epsom Derby, Challedon, famous American thoroughbred owned by Mr. W. L. Brann, Mr. Charles S. Howard's Kayak II and Mioland today rank as the "big four" of the seventh running of the $100,000 Santa Anita Handicap, the world's richest stake, at the Santa Anita race track here on March 1, 1941.

Challedon, on whom Mr. Brann is counting to win the great purse and so edge nearer to becoming the world's richest money-winning horse, has been assigned top weight of 9 st. 4 lbs. (130 pounds), the same weight carried last year by Seabiscuit when he won the event. Seabiscuit is the world's leading money-winner today, with a total of $437,730 to his credit.

Second weight, 9 st. 3 lbs. (129 lbs) was given to Kayak II, third weight of 8 st. 13 lbs. (125 lbs.) went to Heliopolis, and Mioland was given an impost of 8 st. 12 lbs. (124 lbs.).

Heliopolis's fine record in England before he was sent to this country causes him to be regarded as a strong threat to American horses on this side of the water.

Challedon's present turf earnings are $322,860. Victory in the Santa Anita Handicap would still not give him sufficient additional money to surpass Seabiscuit's total but he will run in several other major stakes at Santa Anita and may by winning some of these beat Seabiscuit's figure. —Reuter.

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REPORT No. 6/1941 for week ending February 14 (Friday), compiled by the Shanghai Stock Exchange

Comparative Opening Cash Prices (Quotations in Chinese Dollars unless otherwise stated * H'kong $) This Friday Morning February 14, 1941 Buyers	Sellers	Last Sales	Nom.	Last Friday Morning February 7, 1941 Buyers	Sellers	Last Sales	Nom.	Business Recorded During Week Closing Thursday Highest	Lowest	STOCKS	Authorised Capital (No. of Shares)	Issued Capital (No. of Shares)	Paid up Value (or Face Value)	Fin. Year ends	Last Dividends, etc.	Paid or due	Business Done Year 1940 Highest	Lowest	Business Done Year 1941 Highest	Lowest	Total No. of Shares Done for Last Week	This Week	Total Amount of Sales Reported 1940	13-2-41
										Banks, Finance Companies														
.....	.....	20½	.....	.....	.....	20½	.....	.....	.....	Central Properties, Ltd.	5,000,000	180,000	$10	Dec.	Fin. $1.50 (Mkg $3.50 a/c 1940)	Pending	25½ May	12 May	22 Jan	19.00 Jan	2,100	....	138,950	4,800
.....	.....	.....	12.00	.....	.....	.....	12	.....	.....	China Bond & Shares Co., Fed. Inc., U.S.A.	200,000	120,000	$10	Dec.	Int. Div. 6% a/c 1940	12 3 40	12 Mar	12 Mar	.....	.....	.....	.....	500	.....
0.90	.....	1.10	.....	.....	.....	1.40	.....	1.36	1.00	China Finance Corp. Fed. Inc., U.S.A.	400,000	400,000	T5	Dec.	Spec. Tax Div. $0.054 on record 31/12/1939 ..	11 3 40	4.60 Jan	65 May	1.60 Jan	1 Feb	3,000	4,000	1,511,910	71,000
.....	.....	.....	1,375.00	.....	.....	1,360.00	.....	1,415.00	1,375.00	Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corp.	400,000	160,000	H $125	Dec.	Fin. £2-10-0 (Mkg. £5-0-0 Less I/T a/c 1940) ..	Pending	1,520 Apr	975 June	.....	.....	.....	13	560	13
18.00	20.00	20½	.....	26½	27	27	.....	27½	20.00	Inter. Invest. Trust Co. of China, Ltd.	2,000,000	350,000	T10	Mar.	2nd Int. $1.00 (Mkg. $1.75 a/c 1940-1)	14-12 40	39½ May	8.60 May	32 Jan	20 Feb	88 250	123.250	5,683,798	649 350
.....	.....	19½	.....	.....	.....	25½	.....	25½	18.40	Shanghai Loan & Investment Co., Ltd.	250,000	250,000	T5	Dec.	Fin. $2.00 (Mkg. $4.00 a/c 1940)	7 2 41	41½ May	10.40 May	49½ Jan	18.40 Feb	27 380	54.332	1,037,302	436 812
.....	5.20	5.50	.....	6.55	6.70	6.65	.....	6.75	5.15	Shanghai Securities, Ltd.	1,000,000	925,000	$5	Dec.	Div. $0.50 a/c 1940	Pending	8.50 May	3.00 May	8.00 Jan	5.15 Feb	285,300	146,300	4,426 063	1,416,250
.....	.....	.....	20.00	.....	.....	.....	20	.....	.....	Union Mobiliere	100,000	100,000	$20	Dec.	4½ % a/c 1939	5-5 40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
14.50	14.80	15.70	.....	18½	18.60	18.80	.....	18.80	15.70	Yangtsze Finance Co., Ltd.	2,000,000	517,500	T10	Mar.	2nd Int. $0.50 (Mkg. $1.00 a/c 1940)	14-12-40	24½ Apr	7.05 June	22 Jan	15.70 Feb	110,050	145,700	4,901,308	828 435
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	I. I. Trust (Rights)	.....	.....	.....	.....	.. ..	.....	.....	.....	12.60 Jan	10.80 Jan	22,520	.....	.....	274 325
.....	.....	.....	.....	25.00	.....	25½	.....	24½	24½	S'hai Loan (New)	.....	.....	.....	.....	.. ..	.....	.....	.....	31½ Jan	24½ Feb	.....	80	.....	98,680
										Insurances														
.....	.....	20.00	.....	.....	.....	20	.....	.....	.....	American-Asiatic Underwriters (ord.)	75,000	75,000	T10	Dec.	Div. $1.40, a/c 1939	3 6-40	26 Sept	5 Jan	.....	.....	.....	.....	7,431	.....
.....	.....	.....	200.00	.....	.....	.....	200	.....	.....	Asia Life Insurance Co.	100,000	40,000	*U.S. $5	Dec.	Div. 10% = G $0.50, 1938	11-9-39	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	90.00	.....	.....	.....	90	.....	.....	Assurance Franco-Asiatique	70,000	F100	.....	Dec.	Div. 5%, 1938	10-5-39	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
17.00	.....	19.00	.....	.....	.....	24½	.....	23½	19.00	International Assurance Co., Ltd.	933,333	280,000	10/-	Dec.	Div. $0.30, 1933 (Nil 1939)	18-5-34	19.70 May	8.90 Jan	31½ Jan	19 Feb	25	1,534	1,024,876	10,073
.....	.....	415.00	.....	.....	.....	415	.....	.....	.....	Union Insurance Society of Canton, Ltd. ..	200,000	135,000	£6	Dec.	Int. 12/6 a/c 1940	15-11-40	520 Apr	345 July	420.00 Feb	400.00 Jan	10	.....	1,279	169
										Lands														
.....	.....	.....	200	.....	.....	.....	200	.....	.....	Anglo-French Land Invest. Co., Ltd.	35,000	19,335	T100	Feb.	Int. $2.00 a/c 1940-41	22-10-40	200 Jan	200 Jan	.....	.....	.....	.....	100	.....
.....	.....	2.35	.....	2.25	.....	2.35	.....	2.35	2.00	Cathay Land Co., Ltd.	500,000	480,374	T10	Dec.	Final 9% = $0.28 (Mkg. 6% 1933) (Nil 1939) ..	5-5-34	5.10 Feb	1.70 Nov	2.35 Feb	2 Jan	7,000	1,500	38,150	10,500
.....	.....	8.25	.....	9.90	10.00	10.10	.....	10.00	8.25	China Realty Co. Fed. Inc., U.S.A.	1,250,000	1,236,327	$10	Dec.	Fin. $0.20 a/c 1940	Pending	10.90 Jan	6.30 Oct	10.50 Jan	8.25 Feb	84,517	102,087	3,471,916	514,427
.....	.....	.....	300.00	.....	.....	.....	300	.....	.....	Fonciere et Immobiliere de Chine	20,000	20,000	T100	Dec.	2nd Int. $15.00 (Mkg. $30.00 a/c 1940) ..	28-11-40	275 Feb	275 Feb	.....	.....	.....	.....	605	.....
.....	.....	13.00	.....	.....	14.00	13.00	.....	.....	.....	Metropolitan Land Co., Ltd. "A"	500,000	39,800	T10	Sept	Fin. $1.00 (Mkg. $1.40 a/c 1939-40)	10-12-40	15.70 Feb	9 Jan	13.00 Feb	13.00 Feb	500	.....	119,666	500
.....	.....	13.00	.....	.....	14.00	13.00	.....	.....	.....	do. "B"		155,018	T10	Sept	Fin. $1.00 (Mkg. $1.40 a/c 1939-40)	10-12-40								
.....	.....	.....	5.00	.....	.....	.....	5	.....	.....	San Sing Properties, Ltd.	2,000,000	805,007	$7	Mar.	Int. Div. $0.60 a/c 1939 (Final Nil) (Nil 1939-40)	23-12-38	10.00 Nov	7.50 Oct	.....	.....	.....	.....	45,500	.....
11.00	11½	11.60	.....	.....	13½	13½	.....	13.50	11.20	Shanghai Land Investment Co., Ltd.	2,386,800	2,386,800	($7) T5	Dec.	Fin. 4% = $0.28 (Mkg. Tls. 0.50 1934) (Nil 1939)	25-4-35	20½ Feb	8.80 May	15.80 Jan	11.20 Feb	64,000	77,500	4,907,822	626,918
.....	.....	.....	170.00	.....	.....	.....	170	.....	.....	Tientsin Land Investment Co., Ltd.	120,000	64,281	$50	Dec.	Int. 10% a/c 1940	20-1-40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
										Docks, Wharves and Transport														
.....	.....	27½	.....	34½	34½	34½	.....	34½	26½	Shanghai Dockyards, Ltd.	2,000,000	1,125,000	$10	Sept	Fin. $2.00 (Mkg. $3.00 a/c 1939-40)	16-12-40	75 May	19.10 June	38½ Jan	26½ Feb	145,904	164,300	7,454,687	788,313
.....	.....	465.00	.....	460	.....	465	.....	470.00	465.00	Shanghai & Hongkew Wharf Co., Ltd.	80,000	60,000	T100	Dec.	Int. $17.00 a/c 1940	29-8-40	560 May	267 Jan	465 Jan	450 Jan	485	125	8,947	1,035
.....	86.00	92.00	.....	106	107	106	.....	108½	90.00	Wheelock & Co., Ltd.	1,000,000	478,720	T10	Mar.	Int. $5 a/c 1940-41	5-12-40	272 Apr	38 July	114.00 Jan	90 Feb	104,050	135,100	2,960,262	550.039
										Utilities														
.....	17.00	17.00	.....	.....	.....	19½	.....	19.50	16.90	China General Omnibus Co., Ltd.	500,000	200,000	T10	Dec.	Fin. Div. $0.70 (Mkg. $1.26 a/c 1938) (Nil 1939)	20-4-39	37 May	15 June	22½ Jan	13.30 Feb	6,400	8,200	844,224	73.215
.....	.....	16.40	.....	.....	.....	18.30	.....	18.30	16.20	Shanghai Gas Co., Ltd. "Old"	700,000	700,000	$10	Dec.	Div. $0.80 1939	30-4-40	37 May	12.30 Jan	21½ Jan	16.20 Feb	7,500	11,340	631,429	109.307
32½	.....	33.00	.....	.....	40	40	.....	39½	33.00	Shanghai Telephone Company Fed. Inc. U.S.A.	2,000,000	1,151,420	$10	Dec.	Div. $0.75 a/c 1940	15-1-41	55 May	23 Jan	43½ Jan	33.00 Feb	11,650	9,600	1,644,952	58,651
.....	.....	45.00	.....	.....	.....	45	.....	39.00	39.00	S'hai Electric Construction Co., Ltd. "Reg." ..	700,000	670,000	£1	Dec.	Div. 5% a/c 1939 Coupon 57	30-4-40	54 Apr	41½ Oct	45 Jan	39.00 Feb	50	10	13,829	260
.....	.....	44.00	.....	.....	.....	47½	.....	48.00	44.00	do. "Bear" ..							694 May	40 June	51 Jan	44.00 Feb	4,850	6,170	328,610	20.880
.....	900	895.00	.....	.....	900	900	.....	900.00	890.00	S'hai Waterworks Co., Ltd. "A"	40,236	40,236	£20	Dec.	Int. 4/- a/c 1940	27-9-40	1,250 May	860 Jan	900.00 Jan	860 Jan	32	170	797 Aug	1,160
.....	.....	36.00	.....	.....	.....	36	.....	.....	.....	do. "B"	359,280	{108,505	£1	Dec.	Int. 2/4 a/c 1940	27-9-40	46 Feb	32½ Jan	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,980	.....
.....	.....	34.00	.....	35	.....	35	.....	34.00	34.00	do. "O"		{250,000	£1	Dec.	Int. 2/4 a/c 1940	27-9-40	50 Mar	32½ Jan	35.00 Jan	34 Feb	.....	100	8,815	.....
.....	.....	17½	.....	.....	.....	17½	.....	16.90	16.90	Shanghai Gas Co., Ltd. "New"	.....	.....	.....	Dec.	....	.....	22 Sept	15.70 Oct	19 Jan	16.90 Feb	250	50	10,580	221 400
										Miscellaneous														
.....	.....	25½	.....	.....	.....	25½	.....	25.00	25.00	Auto Palace Co., Ltd.	150,000	118,500	$8	Dec.	2nd Int. $2.00 (Mkg. $4.00 a/c 1940)	15-11-40	24 Dec	16 Jan	25½ Jan	25 Feb	.....	.....	11,255	3,000
.....	.....	16.20	.....	.....	.....	16.20	.....	.....	.....	Bakerite Co., Fed. Inc., U.S.A. "B"	50,000	49,703	$10	Dec.	Tax. Div. $1.50 on record 31/12/39	6-3-40	24 May	15.50 Oct	16.20 Feb	16.20 Feb	130	2,000	5,245	130
.....	.....	30	.....	.....	.....	30	.....	.....	.....	Caldbeck, Macgregor & Co., Ltd. (ord.)	200,000	140,000	T10	Dec.	Int. $2.50 a/c 1940	12-11-40	38 Apr	18 Jan	.....	.....	.....	.....	13,928	.....
.....	45.00	46.00	.....	55½	56½	56	.....	55½	44.00	China Import & Export Lumber Co., Ltd. ..	500,000	231,803	T10	Feb.	Fin. $1.00 (Mkg. $6.50 a/c 1939-40)	24-5-40	81 May	30 May	61.00 Jan	44 Feb	17,000	26,800	744,234	.....
.....	.....	46.00	.....	50½	.....	51	.....	.....	45.00	Chinese Eng. & Mining Co., Ltd. "Bearer" ..	2,000,000	1,960,000	£1	June	Div. 7½% a/c 1938/39 Free of I/T Coupon 46 ..	15-3-40	84 May	35½ Oct	57 Jan	45 Feb	3,500	5,400	158,146	231,476 16,200
.....	.....	.....	4.00	.....	.....	.....	4	.....	.....	Chosen Corporation, Ltd.	750,000	725,000	£1	June	Div. 1/-(Mkg. 1/9d. 1937) Less Tax (Nil 1939) ..	15-1-35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	37.00	.....	.....	.....	37	37.00	37.00	Culty Dairy Co., Ltd.	40,000	40,000	T10	Dec.	Div. $1.50 a/c 1939	12-1-40	44 May	35 Aug	37 Feb	37 Feb	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	15.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	15	.....	.....	Champ Course Francais French	30,000	30,000	$20	Dec.	Div. $4.50 a/c 1934 (Nil 1939)	1-3-35	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	40	5,432	40
.....	.....	15.00	.....	.....	.....	.....	15	.....	.....	(French Race Course) non-French	.....	.....	.....	Dec.	Div. $4.50 a/c 1934 (Nil 1939)	1-3-35	15 Sept	15 Sept	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	7.00	7.35	.....	8.60	8.75	8.80	.....	8.80	7.20	Ewo Breweries, Ltd.	4,000,000	1,400,000	$5	Dec.	.. ..	.....	8.25 Dec	6.50 Nov	9.50 Jan	7.20 Feb	195,200	213,705	1,774,305	30 1,515,420
.....	.....	.....	34.00	.....	.....	.....	34	.....	.....	Hall & Holtz, Ltd.	28,000	26,342	$20	Feb.	Div. 5% = $1, 1934-35 (1938-39 Nil)	30-5-35	34 Aug	25 Feb	.....	.....	.....	.....	1,532	.....
.....	.....	.....	3.00	.....	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	Hongkong & Shanghai Hotels, Ltd.	1,500,000	1,193,867	H $7.50	Dec.	Div. Hk. $0.50 a/c 1939	17-4-40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	11.00	.....	.....	.....	11	.....	.....	Kelly & Walsh, Ltd.	75,000	45,000	$10	Feb.	Fin. Div. $1.00 (Mkg. $1.50 a/c 1939-40)	10-7-40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	.....	30.00	.....	.....	.....	30	.....	.....	Mark L. Moody, Fed. Inc., U.S.A.	100,000	30,000	T10	Dec.	Fin. Div. $1.50 (Mkg. $5.50 a/c 1939)	12-3-40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
26½	26½	27½	.....	34	34½	34½	.....	.....	26.00	Metal Industries of China, Ltd.	2,000,000	500,000	$5	Dec.	Fin. $5.00 (Mkg $7.00 a/c 1940)	Pending	55 May	17.10 June	36½ Jan	26 Feb	59,400	60,100	3,900,210	288.578
.....	.....	4.80	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Millington, Ltd.	300,000	110,000	$4	Dec.	Int. 5% = $0.20 a/c 1940	2-12-40	8.00 Mar	6.00 Sept	.....	.....	.....	.....	2,095	.....
.....	.....	.....	3.00	3	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	Office Appliance Co., Ltd.	80,000	60,000	T8.50	Dec.	Div. $1.00 a/c 1939	26-6-40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	21.00	..	26½	27½	27.00	.....	.....	27½	20½	S'hai Exploration & Development Co., Ltd. ..	1,200,000	716,699	T2.50	Dec.	2nd Int. $0.60 (Mkg. $1.20 a/c 1940)	28-12 40	34 May	8.60 Jan	29½ Jan	20½ Feb	204,370	224,050	9,922,252	1,049,824
2.25	.....	2.25	.....	2.25	.....	2.25	.....	.....	.....	S'hai Waterworks Fittings Co., Ltd.	500,000	301,765	T1	Dec.	Div. 10% 1939	12-6-40	435 Apr	1.90 Jan	.....	.....	.....	.....	20,178	
.....	.....	13.80	.....	.....	.....	13.80	.....	.....	.....	Union Brewery, Ltd.	500,000	200,000	T10	Dec.	Div. $1.25, a/c 1933 (Nil 1939)	27-5-34	10.80 Apr	4.25 Mar	14.40 Jan	9.00 Jan	1 000	.....	32,325	.....
21½	22.00	23.00	.....	.....	28½	29.00	29½	.....	22½	Metal (New Issue)	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	31½ Jan	22½ Feb	39,700	.....	.....	28,450 344,720
										Bonds and Preferences														
.....	.....	.....	130	.....	.....	.....	130	.....	.....	American-Asiatic Underwriters, Cum. Pref. 8%	5,000	5,000	T100	Dec.	4% for ½ year ended 30 June 1940	29-6-40	120 Sept	85 Apr	.....	.....	.....	.....	262	.....
.....	.....	100	.....	.....	.....	100	.....	.....	.....	do. Cum. Pref. 7%	7,500	7,500	T100	Dec.	3½ = $4.89 for ½ year ended 30-9-40	30-9-40	115 Aug	75 Feb	.....	.....	.....	.....	320	.....
.....	.....	14	.....	.....	.....	14	.....	.....	.....	Caldbeck, Macgregor & Co., Ltd. 8% cum. pref	100,000	80,000	T10	Dec.	Div. 8% = $1.12 for 1939	30-1-40	15 July	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	950	.....
.....	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	.....	3	.....	.....	Ch. Finance Corp. Fed. Inc. U.S.A. (Pref.) 8%	600,000	205,125	T5	Dec.	Quarterly Div. Tls. 0.10 = $0.14, 1938	30-12-33	2.00 Dec	2.00 Dec	.....	.....	.....	.....	150	.....
.....	.....	180	.....	.....	.....	180	.....	180.00	180.00	Ewo Cotton Mills, Ltd. 8% cum. pref	10,000	9,000	T100	Dec.	Div. Tls. 8 = $11.19, 1939	2-5-40	160 May	160.00 Feb	180.00 Feb	56	30	221	.....
.....	132	132	.....	131½	.....	131½	.....	133.00	132.00	S'hai Power Co. Tls. 6 cum. Pref. stock	230,000	220,000	T100	Dec.	1st qr. Div. Tls. 1.50 = $2.0979 a/c 1941 ..	6-1-41	138½ Sept	120 May	134½ Jan	131½ Jan	355	342	38,530	86
.....	.....	.....	73	.....	.....	.....	73	.....	.....	Shanghai Tug & Lighter Co., Ltd., 7% pref ..	10,000	10,000	T50	Dec.	Int. Tls. 1.75 = 3½% a/c 1940	4-12-40	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	3,470
.....	.....	14.20	.....	.....	.....	14.20	.....	.....	.....	S'hai Waterworks Co., Ltd. 7% cum. pref. ..	100,000	100,000	T10	Dec.	3½ = $0.49 for half year ended 30-6-40	27-9-40	15 May	.....	13½ Apr	.....	.....	.....	2,400	.....
.....	.....	13½	.....	.....	.....	13½	.....	.....	.....	do. 6½% cum. pref.	100,000	100,000	T10	Dec.	3½ = $0.45 for half year ended 30-6-40	27-9-40	14.20 Sept	13.50 Oct	.....	.....	.....	.....	7,340	.....
										Cottons														
.....	.....	40½	.....	.....	.....	49½	.....	49½	39½	Ewo Cotton Mills, Ltd., Ordinary	2,000,000	1,350,000	T5	Dec.	Int. $1.50 a/c 1940	7-12-40	82 May	27 July	53 Jan	39½ Feb	143.166	201,555	6,433,028	997,808
7.60	.....	8.30	.....	9.50	9.80	9.65	.....	9.70	8.40	New China Textile Co., Ltd.	2,000,000	1,440,600	$5	Dec.	....	.....	9.80 Oct	6.10 Oct	10.30 Jan	8.40 Feb	132,300	172,400	2,565,275	855,916
.....	.....	200.00	.....	.....	.....	205	.....	205.00	200.00	Shanghai Cotton Mfg. Co., Ltd.	240,000	240,000	$50	Apr.	Int. $7.50 a/c 1940-41	29-10-40	241 May	154 Oct	262 Jan	200.00 Jan	300	2,800	7,850	3,927
5.00	.....	5.50	.....	6.50	6.60	6.65	.....	6.60	5.30	Shanghai Worsted Mill, Ltd.	1,000,000	1,000,000	$5	Dec.	....	.....	7.35 Dec	6.60 Dec	7.35 Jan	5.30 Feb	41,820	54,630	684,455	460.098
.....	120.00	100.00	.....	90	.....	80	.....	.....	.....	Tung Yih Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd. ..	400,000	255,000	$10	Dec.	Div. $5 & Bonus $5 a/c 1939	3-4-40	83½ Dec	80 Aug	90.00 Jan	90.00 Jan	.....	170	.....	100
.....	.....	70	.....	.....	.....	70	.....	.....	.....	Zoong Sing Cotton Mills, Ltd.	200,000	150,000	$10	June	Int. $15.00 a/c 1940	25-11-40	75 Aug	47 Jan	70.00 Jan	70.00 Jan	.....	.....	5,150	20
.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	19.00	19.00	Ewo Rights	.....	.....	.....	.....	....	.....	.....	.....	22½ Feb	19.00 Feb	1,963	138	107,622	3,125
										Plantations														
.....	.....	56.00	.....	.....	58.00	56.00	.....	.....	.....	Alma Estates, Ltd.	70,000	70,000	(Tls. 9)£1	Sept.	Fin. $5.00 (Mkg. $8.00 a/c 1939-40)	27-12-40	61 May	35 June	.....	.....	.....	.....	24,694	.....
.....	17.00	17.20	.....	20½	21.00	21.00	.....	21.00	16.50	Anglo-Dutch (Java) Plantations, Ltd.	400 000	350,000	10s	Dec.	Int. Div. $1.50 a/c 1940	6-8-40	34 Feb	8.80 July	25.00 Jan	16.50 Feb	9,100	22,400	661,660	.....
33.00	34.00	34.00	.....	42½	43½	43	.....	43.00	34.00	Anglo-Java Estates, Ltd.	500,000	496,000	10s	Dec.	Int. Div. $3.00 a/c 1940	23-7-40	61 May	18.20 June	494 Jan	34.00 Feb	27,900	47,000	1,579,801	71.300
.....	.....	6.50	.....	.....	.....	6.80	.....	6.50	6.50	Ayer Tawah Rub, Plantation Co., Ltd.	500,000	335,499	T5	Sept.	Fin. $1.20 (Mkg. $1.40 a/c 1939-40)	27-12-40	11.70 Feb	4.25 Aug	7.20 Jan	6.50 Feb	1,080	1,500	50,464	201.31
.....	.....	1.44	.....	.....	.....	1.52	.....	1.44	1.44	Batu Anam (Johore) Rub, Ests., Ltd.	960,000	960,000	T0.10	Dec.	Int. $0.10 a/c 1940	31-10-40	2.90 Feb	81 May	1.70 Jan	1.44 Feb	2,000	1,000	1,240,646	3.830 26,000
.....	.....	6.50	.....	.....	.....	7.00	.....	7.10	6 95	Bute Plantations (1913), Ltd.	500,000	353,698	T1	Dec.	2nd Int. $0.30 (Mkg. $0.60 a/c 1940)	4-12-40	15 Feb	6.00 May	8.20 Jan	6.65 Feb	540	10.330	180,980	13.870
.....	2.85	2.30	.....	.....	.....	2.97½	.....	2.85	2.30	Chemor United Rubber Co., Ltd.	1,200,000	958,804	T0.10	Dec.	Int. $0.10 a/c 1940	14-11-40	5.20 Feb	1.55 May	3.05 Jan	2.30 Feb	.....	4,000	1,379,647	45.800
.....	.....	0.80	.....	.....	0.91	0.91	.....	0.80	0.80	Cheng Ruber Estates, Ltd.	1,095,850	1,051,438	T0.10	June	Int. $0.05 a/c 1939-40	1-7-40	1.74 Jan	0.50 May	0.95 Jan	0.80 Feb	2,000	1,000	4,860,615	148.000
.....	6.95	7.20	.....	.....	.....	7.20	.....	.....	.....	Consolidated Rub. Estates (1914), Ltd. ..	500,000	484,837	2/-	Dec.	2nd Int. $0.35 (Mkg. $0.70 a/c 1940)	4-12-40	11.50 Feb	1.05 May	8.20 Jan	7.20 Feb	500	.....	506,585	8,500
.....	.....	10.20	.....	10.00	.....	10.20	.....	.....	.....	Dominion Rubber Co., Ltd.	350,000	200,000	T1	Dec.	2nd Int. $0.50 (Mkg. $1.00 a/c 1940)	4-12-40	19.00 Feb	8.95 July	12 Jan	10.20 Feb	2,000	.....	163,681	3,000
.....	.....	.....	62	.....	.....	.....	62	.....	.....	Gula-Kalumpong Rub. Ests., Ltd.	750,000	665,000	£1	Dec.	Div. 5% 1938 Less I/T (Coupon 35)	6-4-39	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
.....	.....	4.20	.....	.....	.....	4.20	.....	4.20	4.20	Java-Cons. Rub. & Coffee Ests., Ltd.	850,000	750,000	2/-	Dec.	Int. $0.25 a/c 1940	30-7-40	7.70 Feb	2.15 June	4.70 Jan	4.20 Feb	15,000	5,000	935,271	.....
.....	.....	.....	18.00	.....	.....	.....	18	15.00	15.00	Kapayang Rubber Estates Co

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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The Buses Again:
What is Going on?

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—What has become of the bus service in this city? Squeezing.... discourtesy.... filth....unpromptness ..in particular and disregard of passengers' convenience in general. I have never seen a modern service run in such a primitive way. The main lines of "service" in this city are rather unsuccessfully whitewashed due to crowdedness and the behaviour of the conductors while the conditions along the minor ones give people the impression that the Bus Company is putting profits before service. Especially on No. 7 buses are the symptoms of decay marked. Besides the scores of disgraceful signs cited by other correspondents, the bus is never on schedule. Often passengers wait for twenty minutes before they can catch a packed bus—and then only by unchivalrous struggling and strong muscles.

Some months ago No. 7 began to run through Kiaochow Road and No. 17 was cancelled. Yesterday, without any previous notice, it was suddenly switched back, leaving many office-goers from the Kiaochow Road area standing ignorantly in the sleet. As No. 17 is no longer running, the only means for the residents there to reach St. George's is by going backward to Zaokadoo, risking their overcoats and skin, of course, and then take No. 7, or by fighting against the crowds for the two cars that have been left on the temporary line. Yesterday morning, by actual counting, I saw no less than sixty persons pushing and cursing in a single bus. Theoretically there will be a No. 1 (through Kiaochow Road) every fifteen minutes. Actually people have waited for twenty-five minutes—and then only to be crowded out while the conductor yelled helplessly: "Next bus! Next bus!" Quite a few season-ticket holders in that district found their quickest way to St. George's by walking.

May I ask why the Bus Company is afraid to answer the criticisms which are daily voiced in the local community and through this column in particular? There have been unholy outbursts from disgusted bus patrons which the Company might find some excuse for ignoring due to its supreme occupation of money-making, but surely we have heard many pertinent and unexaggerating complaints about the rotten service which this particular utility company is giving to the public. Why is the service unimproved and the complaints unanswered? Are they too embarrassing for those gentlemen to reply or are they just too sadly true? Even the S.M.C., whose policy disregards all criticism, has come out of its shell recently to talk back to a supposedly misleading correspondent: and if the China General Omnibus Company, which is proud of its nationality but never of its service, should continue to abuse its franchise and ignore the complaining public, it will have the honour to be the greatest legitimate racket in Shanghai.

Money is being drained increasingly from our pockets, we don't want any high-powered and streamlined vehicles to "serve the public," if they will keep the schedule on time and the conductors under control we are are more than satisfied.

The S.M.C. should do something about this—either force the Company to keep pace with the tolerable services of other utility firms or withdraw its franchise, or is Shanghai so monopolized by a few pivot gentlemen that the voices of the public are limited to newspaper columns only? If this is the kind of democracy they are publicizing, then good-bye to democracy!

FURIOUS

Shanghai, Feb. 13.

B.R.A. War Efforts:
Third Postage Stamp Auction

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—Kindly permit the use of your correspondence columns to express thanks and appreciation on behalf of the British Residents' Association Philatelic Sub-committee the following who so materially assisted in making the recent Postage Stamp Auction such a success. Thanks are due to the "North-China-Daily News", the "Shanghai Times," and Radio Station XCDN for advertising and to the Union Insurance Co. for allotting their advertising space in the "North China Daily News"; to Mr. J.R.L. Calder for officiating as auctioneer, to Mr. R. M. Jordan as Assistant auctioneer, and to Mesdames J. Stewart, R. V. Thomas, N. W. B. Clarke, G. F. C. Newsam, K. Piper, J. Turnbull, E. O. Butler, W. Rigg, J. Robertson and P. Scoones, who were in charge of the preview of stamps at Messrs. Kelly & Walsh. Thanks are also extended to Messrs. Kelly & Walsh for allowing their premises to be used for the preview of the stamps and to the Shanghai Philatelic Society for the use of their room to hold the auction.

As a result of the efforts of all concerned, a sum of $9,617 was realized, $1,170 of which was allocated to the Missions to Seamen, and the remaining $8,447 to the Central British War Fund.

W. T. FULSTOW.
Chairman Philatelic Sub-Committee for British Residents' Association War Efforts Sub-Committee.

Shanghai, Feb. 14.

Votrix Vermouth:
Query by a Reader

To the Editor of the
"NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS"

SIR,—The following extract is from the New Pepys, his Diary for 1940 of August 22:

"Supt this night my wife and I with Mr. Jimble and madam, Jimble mixing our pre-supper cocktails with Votrix vermouth, both of the French and the Italien sorts in character, but compounded over here by an all-British house. Yet even the most expeerienced connoisseur of such matters wd have his work cut out to detect any difference betwixt these British concoctiouns and their soe-called French and Italien counterparts, unless he were told. Nay, as Jimble was forward to acquaint me (but I knew it allready), these French and Italien designatiouns have long ceased to have any geographicall significance, but are merely descriptive labels for certain sorts of white wines flavoured with certain sorts of aromatick herbs. Which, given the recipe, other peoples beside the French and Italiens can compound as well as they, and some do. But Britain has now earned the distinctioun of doing it not onelie as well, but eeven better and appreciably cheper Soe we drank, all 4 of us, with at once palatable gust and patriotick fervour."

Is Votrix available?

H. A. R.

Shanghai, Feb. 14.

CHURCH SERVICES

Holy Trinity Cathedral.—Feb. 16th.—Sexagesima Sunday. 8 a.m. Holy Communion (also in Bubbling Well Chapel) 10.30 a.m. Choral Eucharist. Lloyd in E flat. Hymns: 172, 36, 321. Preacher: Rev. E. J. Ottewell, L.Th. 10.30 a.m. Children's Service. Preacher: Prof. R. J. Salmon, M.S. 3 p.m. Sunday School—Cathedral Girls' School. 6 p.m. Evensong and Sermon. Psalm: 26. Lessons: Genesis 6, 5-end; Luke 17, 20-end. Hymns: 16, 362, 206, 31. Preacher: Rev. G. A. Scott. 6 p.m. Bubbling Well Chapel: Preacher: The Dean. (Choral Eucharist at 10.30 a.m. will be broadcast from Stations XMHC., 700 Kc., XCDN., 1440 Kc., Daily intercessions at 12.10 p.m. from XMHC., only).

St. John's Pro-Cathedral, Jessfield.—Morning Prayer in Chinese at 10 a.m. with an address in English. Speaker: Prof. Donald Roberts, M.A. Evening Prayer in English at six o'clock. Preacher: Rt. Rev. T. Arnold Scott, D.D.

Union Church (International and Interdenominational), 107 Soochow Road (near the British Consulate-General).—Officiating Minister; Rev. C. Wilfrid Allan.—10.45, Morning Worship. Preacher, Rev. Alex. Baxter, of the London Mission; 10.45, Children's Morning Service in the Church Hall; 3, Afternoon School at 1292 Avenue Joffre.—Tuesday, 3-5, Meeting of the Women's Guild in the Church Hall; 7.30, Fifth Meeting of the Session of the Tuesday Evening Club in the Church Hall. This will be the Annual Ladies' Night Supper at a cost of $2.50 per person will be served at 8 p.m., and will be followed at 9 by a lecture by Mr. Geo. J. McCarthy on "A Tour through India," illustrated by coloured motion picture films.

Church of the Air Programme.
Station XMHD. (760 kc., 395m.)
10.00: XMHD Service (Dr. J. T. Williams).
Sunday Feb. 16.
11.00 Sacred Music.
12.00 Sermon (Dr. Bob Jones).
16.00 Violin Solo.
16.30 Bible Study. (Rev. G. A. Jacobson).
19.45 "Miracles and Melodies."
20.00 XMHD. Sacred Concert
20.30 Gospel Service (Rev. D. McRoberts).
21.15 Russian Evangelistic Service and Music.
Weekdays, Feb. 17-22.
7.30 Sacred Music
8.30 Thought for the Day (Rev. G. A. Jacobson).
9.00 Prayer and Music for sick
12.00 Popular Music
12.45 "N.C.D.N." News Broadcast
13.10 Devotional Service and Song
16.00 Sacred Music
17.00 Classical Music
20.00 Sacred Concert
20.30 Gospel Service and Song
21.00 "N.C.D.N." News Broadcast
21.30 Russian Service (Tuesday)
Noonday speakers Mr. K. Faulkner, Dr. H. G. C. Hallock, Rev. Wm. McDowall, Rev. F. S. Barling, Rev. A. Reinhard, Miss Edith Spurling, Nightly Speakers Mr. F. J. T. Savage, Rev. Frank England, Rev. A. Whitelaw, Dr. D. Farquharson, Rev. W. H. Turner and Rev. E. A. Erny. All are cordially invited to tune in.

Saint Joseph's Church (Rue Montauban) Sunday: Masses at 5.15, 6. 7, 8.15 and 10.30 a.m. Benediction at 4 p.m. Weekdays: Masses at 6 and 7.30 a.m.

Saint Peter's Church (Avenue Dubail) Sunday: Masses at 5.15, 6, 7, 8, 9.15, 11 a.m. Weekdays: Masses at 5.15, 6, 6.45 and 7.30 a.m.

Saint Theresa's Church (370 Tatung Road) Sunday: Masses at 6.15, 7, 8 a.m. Benediction at 4 p.m. Weekdays: Masses at 6.15 7 a.m.

Our Lady's Church (694 Baikal Road) Sunday Masses at 6.30; 7.15 and 8.30 a.m. Benediction of Blessed Sacrament at 3 p.m. Weekdays Mass at 7 a.m.

Saint John Bosco's Church (740 Hangchow Road) Sunday Masses at 7, 8, 9 a.m. Benediction at 4 p.m. Weekday Masses at 6.30 a.m.

Russian Catholic Church (235A Rue Bourgeat) Sunday Mass at 9 a.m. Weekdays at 6.45 a.m.

Church of St. Aloysius Gonzaga (734 Kiaochow Road) Sunday: Masses at 6, 7, 8 and 9.30 a.m. Benediction at 4 p.m. Weekdays: Masses at 5.30 6 and 6.30 a.m.

Church of Christ the King. (235 Rue Bourgeat) Masses on Sunday at 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11. a.m. Benediction at 6.30 Catechism classes every Saturday at 9 a.m.

First Church of Christ Scientist, Shanghai, 1647 Avenue Road, Sunday Service 11 a.m. Subject: "Soul" **Sunday School 9.45 a.m. Testimonial Meeting, Wednesday, 6 p.m. Reading Room at the Church open Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday from 10.30 to 12.30: Wednesday from 4 to 6 p.m. Christian Science Broadcast, Station XMHA. Sunday 6.30 p.m.**

Shanghai Free Christian Church.—(Evangelical) 5 Tifeng Road. The Services on Sunday will be conducted as follows:—Morning at 11 o'clock by Rev. H. Owen 3 p.m. Sunday school and Bible Class Services during the week:—Monday at 8 p.m. Young People's Meeting. Thursday afternoon at 5.45 Prayer Meeting. A hearty welcome to all meetings.

Endeavourers Church.—Morning service will be held at 9.15 a.m. in the hall of the Shanghai Free Christian Church, 5 Tifeng Road. The speaker will be Rev. Duncan McRoberts. Midweek prayer meeting will be held on Wednesday at 5.30 p.m. in room 305 Missions Building, 169 Yuen Ming Yuen Road.

Bethesda Gospel Hall.—(International) 729 Yu Yuen Road, Shanghai. Gospel Services are held in: German: Sundays Breaking of Bread Meeting at 3.30, 4.30 p.m. Sundays Bible Class at 5-6 p.m. Wednesdays Bible Class for Ladies at 4-5.30 p.m. English: Tuesdays Prayer Meeting at 5.30-6.30 p.m. Chinese: Sunday Breaking of Bread Meeting at 10-11.30 a.m. Sundays Gospel Meeting at 2.30-4 p.m. Thursdays Prayer Meeting at 6-7.30 p.m. Fridays Bible Class at 5.30-7 p.m.

Foreign Y.M.C.A.—Informed Sunday Evening Service, 6 p.m. in the Junior Division room, (Mezzanine Floor). Speaker. Mr. A. E. Phillips. All Welcome.

Society of Friends (Quakers)—A meeting for worship to which all are welcome will be held at 6 p.m. on Sunday in room "D" at the Foreign Y.M.C.A. 150 Bubbling Well Road.

Shanghai Hebrew Mission:—Ford Lane Home, 56 Ford Lane, Sunday 10.30, Dr. Lee S. Huizenga, Wednesday 3.30 Rev. F. S. Donnelson. 703 N. Szechuen Road, Alliance Hall, Sunday 10.00 Mr. F. J. T. Savage. Wednesday 3.30 Dr. Forbes Tocker. Messages are interpreted from English into German. Visitors welcome

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BUT THE CLOUDS OVER THE PACIFIC —
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— THERE WAS SOME MINOR STIR AT THE STOCK EXCHANGE BUT ISN'T THAT A COMMON OCCURRENCE —
— IT'S WRITTEN SOMEWHERE THAT "IT IS WISE TO SUPPOSE THE WORST" —
— BUT A RAY OF HOPE SHOULD BE NEVER EXSTINGUISHED!
BY SAPAJOU

Gayer Wisdom

The Pope And The New Order

Radio Sermon on New Order of the Future Delivered by Rev. L. F. McGreal, S.J.

STATESMEN and scholars the world over are talking about a New Order for the future. In the November issue of the "Atlantic Monthly" we read a democratic suggestion for a federal union between the seven English-speaking democracies following the example of the thirteen original colonies of the United States and beginning with a common declaration not of independence, but of interdependence. This union would be a nucleus for a future United States of the World, to which other peoples would be admitted as states are admitted to the American union. It would be designed to grow gradually and peacefully into a world government of, by and for each individual of our species; into the federal union of mankind.

On the other hand, in the review, "Contemporary Japan," for December, in an article entitled "The Three-Power Pact and the World of Tomorrow," we read of another kind of New Order, totalitarian this time. These three powers (Germany—Italy—Japan)....have adopted the principle of dealing with human society from the totalitarian point of view.. The totalitarian movement is spreading like a prairie fire, leaving no room for doubt that the world of tomorrow will be thoroughly permeated with this new concept of the world and man. Everything, he goes on, requires re-appraisal, and even the essential qualities of God and man must necessarily be re-examined.... viewed from a completely different angle from that of the past.

Against Totalitarian Spirit

Has the Catholic Church anything to say about this question of the hour, the New Order for tomorrow? Though having no concern about the purely political aspects of the question whether it should be democratic, monarchical, or dictatorial, she has a great deal to say about the moral aspects of any proposed New Order. But we must make the very important distinction at the start that, as not everything is truly democratic in governments that label themselves democracies, so neither is everything in the so-called totalitarian states truly totalitarian. Briefly, the Catholic Church's position is this: As she has always been against the totalitarian spirit in the past, so will she always be against it in the future.

What is Totalitarianism?

I. What do we mean by totalitarianism? This rather odd term is used to designate the State of unlimited jurisdiction, which claims to rule every sphere of the citizen's activity, economic, intellectual, family, religious. It recognizes no rights of man as derived directly from God or from nature, and hence outside the bounds of its jurisdiction. It is absolute and may do exactly what it wills. Theoretically, then, the word implies the diefication of the State. But if we apply our definition of totalitarianism to some of the existing states today we shall meet a few surprises. Which are the totalitarian states? Germany and Italy openly admit it. The United States because of its federal structure and strictly limited governmental powers, is clearly not totalitarian according to the definition; but Soviet Russia which hoodwinked many supposedly intellectual people a few years ago into believing it was a great democracy, is totalitarian, the most clearly totalitarian of all modern states: for it demands body and soul of every citizen. Salazar of Portugal, often classed as a totalitarian dictator, states explicitly: (quote) "Nor should we allow the State to enjoin us regarding religious matters or moral principles. This attitude has led us to consider authority as morally limited and has enabled us to avoid the mistake or even the crime, of deifying the state, force, wealth, etc." Evidently, Salazar doesn't believe in totalitarianism as we have defined it. Nazi Germany and Fascist Italy openly boast that they are Totalitarian States. England has certain totalitarian features; for the state or crown authority, as exercised by parliament, is absolute and unlimited. We must admit that with the single exception of Russia no great power today can be said to be strictly totalitarian in theory and in practice. What the Church has always been against in the past is the totalitarian spirit, wherever it may be found.

Rights of Man

Many non-Catholics take it for grated that we Catholics are definitely committed to a union of Church and State, whereas they hold strongly for separation. The queer thing is that it was none other than the Catholic Church which introduced into society the notion of separation of Church and State. It was Christ who first declared that Caesar's things should not be confounded with God's, and it was the Catholic Church which because of this profoundly revolutionary remark changed the whole history of the world. From the very beginning the Church has been the champion of what we now call the inalienable rights of man. The Church, under Constantine, came victoriously out of the catacombs with a recognized right to live. It was the first sweeping victory of the human person over State despotism. This victory over the totalitarian spirit was not merely a triumph for the Church; it was one for mankind itself; for the dignity of the human person, for the natural rights, for civilization. It changed all a man's relations to his fellow man to the State, to society.

Duty To The State

The Church like Christ teaches that Caesar has real and definite rights which must not be taken from him. St. Paul strongly inculcated the citizen's duty to the State, not merely as a civil obligation, but as an obligation in conscience, for the power of the State when justly administered is not a merely secular, but a holy thing, a communication of the divine.

Non-Catholic historians are prone to conclude that whenever the State has been in conflict with the Church in the past, it was the Church's fault for seeking to interfere in strictly political matters. This may have been true occasionally; but practically always the great conflicts arose because of the totalitarian attempts to interfere with spiritual matters.

The Church often draws up a concordat or a modus vivendi with despotic governments, and when she does so, she is generally accused of bowing weakly to Caesar. But it will be noted that as a general rule the Church has made concordats with her enemies rather than her friends, because her friends are always willing to recognize her rights. Moreover, nearly always it is the State which breaks the concordat. For totalitarian rulers become irritated when realizing that there is in the Christian soul something that does not belong to them, something fundamental, something mighty that has escaped them.

The Pope's Warning

II. It can be asserted with perfect confidence that the Church is against totalitarianism for the future. Pope Pius XII warns that the forces that are expected to renew the face of the earth should begin from within, from the spirit, and not from merely external means, which can impose conditions of peace but does not create peace. And without peace there can be no real peace. Of the present hour he says: "The Holy Gospel narrates that when Jesus was crucified there was darkness over the whole earth, a terrifying symbol of what had happened and what still happens spiritually whenever incredulity, blind and proud of itself, has succeeded in excluding Christ from modern life." For the political builders of tomorrow he lays down certain basic principles which they are already in grave danger of forgetting; he warns that the New Order of the world, of national and international life, must rest no longer on the quicksands of change and ephemeral standards that depend only on the selfish interests of groups and individuals. Rather, they must rest on the unshakeable foundation of natural law and of divine revelation. The human legislator must attain to that keen sense of moral responsibility, without which it is easy to mistake the boundary between the legitimate use and the abuse of power. Nothing else will safeguard the common good, which should be the aim of every government.

Religious Education

Now when we reflect that even in the great democracies God has been exiled from some 90 per cent. of the schools; that our universities have been blandly teaching the very doctrines the totalitarians are today putting into practice with such dreadful results,—when we reflect upon these undeniable facts, the following words of the Pope are very significant: "Before all else," he says, "it is certain that the radical and ultimate cause of the evils which we deplore in modern society is the denial and rejection of a universal form of morality, as well for individuals as for international relations. We mean the disregard so common today and the forgetfulness of the natural law itself, which has its foundation in God, Almighty Creator and Father of all supreme and absolute Lawgiver, all-wise and just Judge of human actions.

Will the builders of the New Order learn from mistakes of the past? The Holy Father hopes they will. What are some of the definite errors of the past that should be avoided in the future? The first regards the family. The Holy Father warns of the dangers that will accrue to future generations from the neglect or non-recognition of the rights peculiar to the family. The second error is that of a non-religious education: "The crime of high treason against the King of Kings," he says, "is perpetrated by an education that is either indifferent or opposed to Christianity, the reversal of Christ's 'Suffer the little children to come unto me.'" If the new order must stay within the limits of a God-ordained morality, can it in any sense be a totalitarian state?

The Catholic Church answers that question in the official words of Pius XII: "No one of good will and vision will think of refusing the State, in the exceptional conditions of the world today correspondingly wider and exceptional rights to meet the popular needs. But even in such emergencies the moral law established by God demands that the lawfulness of each such measure and its real necessity be scrutinized with the greatest rigor according to the standards of the common good."

International Relations

The sanctity of international relations is another aspect of the new order. On this question Pope Pius says: "It is indispensable for the existence of fruitful relations that the people recognize and observe these principles of international law. Such principles demand respect for corresponding rights to independence, to life and to the possibility of continued development in the paths of civilization; they demand fidelity to compacts agreed upon and sanctioned in conformity with the law of nations."

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UNREASONING PANIC

The panic in Shanghai of the last few days seems to have been caused by a number of occurrences which alarmists, and others seeking to wrest enormous profits out of other people's misfortunes showed up in an incorrect light and gave rise to rumours for which there is not the slightest justification. President Roosevelt's statement that the U.S. Navy could fight a war in the Pacific while American industry could continue to supply Great Britain with war material was twisted into a story that the United States were preparing to commence a war in this part of the world. The statement by the Australian Government that it considered the situation in the Pacific as serious was made to suggest that an outbreak of war is imminent, while the further exhortation by the local American Consulate General to all American women and children and men whose presence in the Far East is not essential should return to their home land was eagerly seized upon to increase an impression which cannot as yet be wholly justified. The recall of Netherlands eastern shipping to neutral ports could not have had much effect upon the Stock Exchange on Thursday as the news became known after business had been closed.

That the situation is grave no one will for one moment deny. That it is such as to justify the wretched panic of the last few days is definitely not admitted. That view is supported by a Reuter telegram appearing elsewhere in which it is stated that "in Allied circles in London, which are usually well-informed, it is felt that at the moment the crisis is not imminent." Hitler is doing his utmost to persuade Japan to join actively in the war, for the purpose of dividing British concentration on the Axis in Europe and Africa. He has not yet succeeded in bringing about a non-aggression pact between Moscow and Tokyo, and unless Japan can be sure that her rear shall be protected by such an agreement the drive to the south is likely to be held up. Should such a Russo-Japanese Pact be reached, and the Germans are doing their utmost to bring it about, the situation in the Far East will have taken a most serious turn, and it has to be said quite plainly that, if the developments up to the present can produce such a state of jitters as the last two days have witnessed, one shudders to think what will be the reaction should matters take a definite turn for the worse.

It is a pity that, Shanghai being an International Settlement, it is not possible to deal with rumour-mongers along the same lines as have been adopted in Great Britain. It is unfortunately a fact that large numbers of unscrupulous people are engaged in spreading false reports and alarms simply for the purpose of lining their own pockets, and in circumstances such as now prevail it is criminal that they should do so. The President of the United States has repeatedly declared that his country will not take the initiative in any war in the Pacific and that the responsibility for such a development would rest entirely with Japan. It has been shown that Japan is unwilling to make any move until some agreement has been reached with Russia which would free the former to attempt to carry out long held ambitions in the southern Pacific, and the situation will not become graver than it has been for weeks past until such a pact has been negotiated.

Should that come about it will not even then be ground for the completely unreasoning panic which the last two days have seen. The best interests of the community as a whole can only be served by a general determination to disregard rumours, and wait to learn the facts. The enormous amount of stupid tattle that has been going the rounds, the creation of bogeys which only exist in the minds of those who desire that they should, and the sedulously fostered alarm which has been noticed is completely foreign to that Shanghai which has weathered so many crises in the past with an altogether admirable calmness. That the situation is grave must be admitted by all. That it may become graver has to be faced. Nevertheless it would be stupid to be scared by the prospect of what may happen. Especially is this true when there are so many in Shanghai so anxious to cash in on anticipated miseries which have not yet befallen the community. The great need at the moment is to maintain as calm an outlook as possible, and to refrain from passing on unconfirmed rumours.

MUSSOLINI'S FAILURE

There has naturally been much speculation as to why it was necessary for General Franco to travel to Italy for a talk with Mussolini, and the story emanating from Vichy as to what took place between the two when they met at Bordighera is interesting, and probably true. Mussolini, it is reported, reminded General Franco of past favours which Italy had granted him, and asked him to repay the debt by providing aid for an attack on Gibraltar. Franco is reported to have replied that starving Spain could not risk a war against Britain, while Britain was helping her with food. Mussolini is said to have promised that Europe would feed Spain. But Franco remained adamant. The story has every probability in its favour. The crushing defeats, which have been inflicted upon the Italians in Libya and Greece, have rendered Mussolini's position desperate, and he apparently hoped that by attacking Gibraltar he would be able to obtain some surcease from the enormous pressure which is being brought to bear upon him. Obviously the feat of the British fleet based upon Gibraltar in bombarding Genoa increased his desire to make an attack upon the Rock, for if he could drive the British out of the western end of the Mediterranean he would be freed from some of the dangers which threaten Italian coastal towns.

Mussolini's promise that Europe would feed Spain failed to fool General Franco. The food situation in Europe is already deplorable enough and to endeavour to feed Spain from dwindling resources could only hasten famine conditions in which Spain herself would become involved. It was indeed the offer of a desperate man, and more clearly reveals his nakedness than did the necessity for holding such a meeting at all. General Franco is showing much wisdom in following the policy he has adopted. His country, torn and ravaged by years of civil war, its agriculture at present incapable of meeting the needs of the people, and the general dislocation of the economic situation which has not yet been completely remedied, makes him dependent upon outside aid, at least for the time being. Entry into the war on the side of the Axis would mean the immediate stoppage of the assistance which is being provided by the United States and Great Britain, and a reduction of his country to the miseries from which it is slowly emerging.

In other words Mussolini has nothing to offer Spain, while Great Britain and the United States have plenty. It was in the circumstances idle for Mussolini to appeal to General Franco's gratitude for past favours. Doubtless, had he been in a position to do so, he would have sought to repay them, for he is known as a strictly honourable man. But even he has been obliged to bow to the force of circumstances, which impose upon him the necessity of keeping his country out of the war, and building up its damaged fortunes. Mussolini is, therefore, thrown back upon his old friend Hitler. The latter has been somewhat slow in coming to his assistance, obviously for the purpose of increasing its value when he does deign to give it. When he does he will have placed Mussolini under firmer bonds than he has done up to the present, but it is doubtful whether even Hitler can contribute anything towards restoring the fallen fortunes of Italy on the African continent.

It would be unwise, even in the light of Mussolini's failure with General Franco, to believe that Italy is on the verge of collapse. It may be that she will never collapse until Britain and her Allies have fought this war to a successful conclusion, for the simple reason that Hitler will not permit it. Rather than allow such a thing he may confidently be expected to invade Italy, and reduce it to another appanage of the Reich. It is going to be that anyhow should Hitler gain the day. It may come earlier should Mussolini seek to withdraw from the war upon which he so light-heartedly embarked. With his "empire" crumbling fast before his eyes, with the rapidly approaching bankruptcy of his hungry nation, with the prospect of complete defeat before him, Mussolini turned to the last country which might have been able to help him. He has failed, and the British still control the Mediterranean.

A New Competition

In the telegram dated January 30, in which it was announced that a "British China Squadron" of R.A.F. Hurricane fighters is being formed as a result of the contribution of £102,000 from British communities in China, it was reported that the Ministry of Aircraft Production stated:—

> After it has been ascertained what emblem the community requires the squadron to carry, and whether it wishes each plane to be named after some prominent personality or place, the procedure for the Air Ministry is to name a new or existing squadron in appropriate detail.

It is now desired to evolve a suitable emblem to be carried on each machine. For this purpose the Committee of the Voluntary war contribution Fund invite Britons to send in their suggestions for a such a device. There will be no prize given for the design which the Committee deems best, the competitor being rewarded by the knowledge that his design will be adopted by the squadron, which in itself would indeed be a great honour. The Committee of the fund will be the judges to decide which is the best effort submitted. Competitors should, however, remember that it will be impossible to use the Chinese dragon and designs embodying that particular device will not be considered. There are plenty of other typical Chinese forms which can be utilized so that the banning of the dragon from designs should create no particular hardship, and indeed make a greater test of the competitor's ingenuity. It also needs to be emphasized that the British China Squadron will consist of Hurricanes and not Spitfires, so that the emblems which the latter name suggests will not prove applicable. Probably the greatest desideratum will prove to be simplicity of design, for the simpler and bolder it is the more it should commend itself to those who will like the enemy to know that the British community in China is wholeheartedly behind the Mother Country and the Empire in this fight for the rights of Democracy. Most devices which have up to the present appeared on British aeroplanes have been painted on the side of the fuselage, and for this reason it is suggested that competitors should confine their efforts to pictorial devices which might even take the shape of an essay into heraldry, though of course without the dragon. The real test of the successful entry will undoubtedly be its complete appropriateness, and it should not be difficult to design something which will be symbolic of the source from which the machines who carry it have come. This competition is not merely for those who have some ability with the pencil and the paintbrush, though they will undoubtedly have somewhat of an advantage, for what is wanted is the best idea and it may very well prove that it is not an artistic entry which will gain the day but the best suggestion which can later be put into shape by capable draftsmen. Entries should be sent to the Voluntary War Contribution Fund Committee, care of the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation, or the Chartered Bank of India, Australia & China in covers bearing the inscription "British China Squadron Competition" by March 7 which will be the closing date of the competition.

ALONG THE HIGHWAYS

Feb. 13.—There was great excitement in the family last night; roofs of our neighbours' houses were covered with snow, the view from the windows was like a picture on a Christmas card and plans were hurriedly made for an early morning stroll. A snowfall is not an everyday occurrence. However, the fall was not as heavy as the youngsters would have liked it to be; but we suppose that local farmers were more than satisfied, a fall of snow at this time of the year is not very welcome to those people: it is liable to cause much damage to the young crops that have been encouraged, by the recent warm weather, to awake from their winter sleep. We are told also, that the snow is bad for the throat, so we may expect to hear plenty of "clearance noises" shortly. The countryside looked quite picturesque this morning, the snow remained on the trees for a long time and, everywhere one looked, appeared lovely and clean. The winter-flowering Jasmine was looking very sorry for itself and so were many other plants that we had admired a few days ago. The cold humidity of snow is detrimental to vegetation in places where falls are occasional and light. In regions where the ground is covered with a deep fall of snow for many weeks, the opposite is the case: there, the snow guards the vegetation against cold piercing winds. In the Alpine regions, for instance, some plants are dependent upon a protective covering of snow for their existence. Snow fructifies the soil and it is said that it contains more nitrous salts than rain; but we believe that the chemical difference is very small. Falling flakes filter the air and there must be innumerable particles of dust mixed with snow: we know that the undissolved portion of this dust gradually consolidates as snow melts and that the dark patches and streaks that appear are caused by this dust. However, all the dust is not deposited as a result of the filtering of the atmosphere; some is brought by wind blowing across the countryside. We were happy when we started on our stroll this morning; but we were sad on our return: we had seen more than the daily average of corpses on the south side of Rockhill Avenue. If nothing can be done for these poor unfortunates during their lifetime, surely, something could be done to expedite the removal of their bodies from the gaze of passers-by after death.—W.J.R.

A PARSON'S LOG

From A Correspondent

In one of the most beautiful chapters of literature Isaiah, some 540 years B.C., writes saying that he heard:

> One calling!
> Prepare ye in the wilderness the way of the Lord.
> Every valley shall be exalted,
> And every mountain and hill shall be made low:
> And the crooked shall be made straight,
> And the rough places a plain:

This heavenly voice is still calling. The Christian religion is a matter in the first place between God and the heart; but it should not and must not remain an inward feeling. It is a summons to the hands and feet and active will. All the hills and depressions of our social life are to be levelled, the crooked are to be made straight, the rough places smooth. Immediately following the voice which sets our heart right with God comes the voice to right the wrongs in the world, and no man is godly who has not heard both. Religion is not professional piety. As Henry Ward Beecher said: "Religion means work. Religion means work in a dirty world. Religion means peril; blows given, but blows taken as well. Religion means transformation. The world is to be cleaned by somebody and you are not called of God if you are ashamed to scour and scrub."

Christianity has two sides. On one side it is the best news in the world. The Fatherhood of God, the Saviourhood of Christ, the final victory of goodness, the life beyond the grave—no other message half so comfortable has ever stirred the hearts of men. But there is another side which the New Testament keeps emphasizing. Says Jesus: "Everyone that heareth these words of mine, and doeth them not, shall be likened unto a foolish man, who built his house upon the sand." Says Paul: "Not the hearers of the law are just before God, but the doers of the law." Says James: "Be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deluding your own selves." Christianity is more than good news to be heard — it presents a task to be accomplished. It calls for devoted, sacrificial service. In 'the world' rulership is the mark of greatness; in the Kingdom, service is the mark of greatness. Even the Son of Man came, not to be served, but to serve, and He consummated His service by His death. No one can doubt the central place which service held in the life and teaching of the Master. Consider the parable of the Good Samaritan, or that other solemn utterance, where entrance into the Kingdom depended on whether men had fed the hungry, clothed the naked, given drink to the thirsty, and visited the imprisoned and the sick. Longfellow understood the mind of Jesus when he wrote:

> Not he that repeateth the name,
> But he that doeth the will.

We are humbled these days and inspired by the valour of the gallant men who man the Services and by the chivalrous bearing of the civilian population of England. Let their sacrifice be a heavenly voice calling us to live less selfishly and more creatively. The crown of goodness is a life of service.

In a book published some years ago Mr. O. G. Whitfield tells of a friend of his who was fond of praying a rather curious prayer. 'Whenever I heard him offer a prayer, I always listened to it, and it nearly always came. "Lord," he would say, "help us to re-cinder our paths." What did he mean? I shall have to explain. In the little town where he lived the sidewalks were usually made of cinders brought from the furnaces of the salt factories, for it was a salt-making town. Very good paths they made, too, once they were well trodden down; but they soon got worn and had to be renewed from time to time with fresh cinders. That was what my old friend was thinking about, and he was praying that God would help him to keep all the ways in which he walked, in good condition—paths of righteousness, and truth and goodness. When the paths of our little town were re-cindered, the workmen simply spread the new cinders all over the worn surface of the old path-way, but they did not use any roller to roll them in. They just left them to be trodden in by the feet of the passers-by, and it was not at all pleasant to walk on those loose cinders just after the paths had been repaired. I well remember walking with my old friend along a newly cindered path and saying to him, "Let's walk in the road." "No, lad," he replied in his rich Cheshire brogue, "let's keep on t'path! Somebody else'll have to tread 'em if we don't.' There are still plenty of rough places in the word; are we doing our bit to make them smooth?

WAR FUND BAROMETER

The Voluntary War Contribution Fund has been open for 226 days and there have been 5,373 contributors. The War Savings Association has been open for 232 days and there have been 1,064 contributors. The latest totals follow:—

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Vol. War Contribution Fund	6,003.93	109,543. 4. 5§
War Savings Association	72,945.25	33,710. 5. 5‡

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‡—Including monthly transfers from CN$ into £.

IN PARENTHESIS

Asks Divorce

MRS. Peter Kramer sues husband who a year ago ran away with a street car.—Picture caption in the Chicago "Tribune."

One of the old trollop cars?

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Chore

A PHYSICIAN in New York was momentarily shocked when he received a bill from the handyman in his building which included an item reading "For blackening the Doctor's name ....75 cents." The doctor figured it out readily enough as soon as he regained his composure. The item referred to cleaning an accumulation of polish from his brass shingle and filling in the engraving with black enamel.

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Which Columnist

NEW Yorkers are talking about: The blazing of Franchot Tone and Alice Faye. — Walter Winchell in the "Mirror."

The Franchot Tone-Peggy Moran affair, they say, has passed the studio publicity stage.—Danton Walker in the "News."

Jimmy Stewart and Olivia De Havilland are as far apart now as ASCAP and BMI....She and Franchot Tone have discovered each other.—Ed Sullivan in the "News."

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It's Cold Here Too

THE South Pole must be a barber's pole. Every explorer that goes near it has a close shave.

"I hear Admiral Byrd took his dogs with him when he went to the South Pole."

"Yes, they say it was the dogs who first discovered the pole."

AN explorer received a call from a sad-looking fellow in answer to a help-wanted advertisement in the paper.

"You are advertising for an adventurous seaman to embark with you on a trip to the frozen Antarctic, from which there may be no return?" began the caller.

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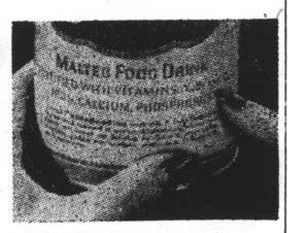

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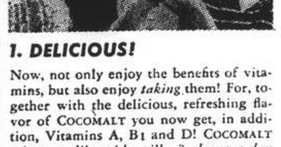

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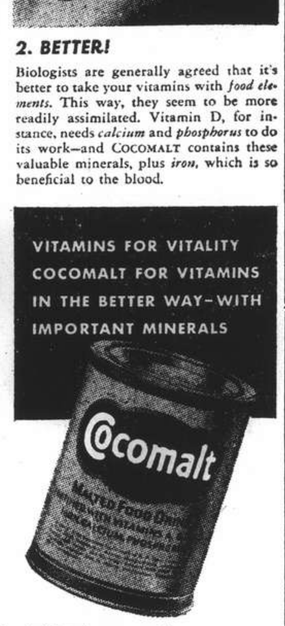

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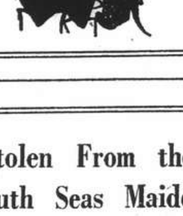

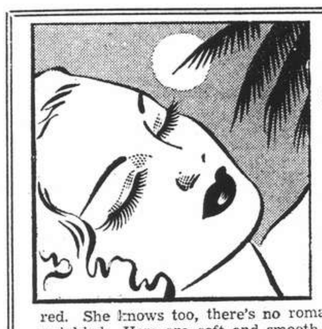

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U.S. Pursuing More Realistic Policy in Far East

Russian-Japanese Relations Carefully Watched; Soviet Policy Remains an Enigma

Following is the fifth and last of a series of dispatches on United States foreign policy based on investigations abroad and at home, by Everett R. Holles.

New York, Feb. 14.

THE United States slowly but surely is swinging towards a "realistic" policy in the East, where today the Chinese-Japanese conflict is viewed as a part of the great world struggle between the "aggressor" nations and those in favour of preserving the *status quo*.

American policy, this correspondent found during a series of conversations with high officials in Washington, is based on the following lines of thought:

Japan, bound to Germany and Italy by the three-power pact of last September, definitely is considered as at least a potential enemy of the "American way" of life as expounded by President Roosevelt.

The United States sees a possibility that Japan may enter the European war on the side of Germany and Italy, particularly if the Axis powers should win another overwhelming victory such as their conquest of France.

To counter a possible move by Japan, Washington is cultivating Russia. It is not that the Secretary of State, Mr. Cordell Hull, and his associates have any more love for Moscow than they did at the time they soundly denounced the U.S.S.R. for her "unjustified" aggression against Finland, but that the Administration now is inclined to listen to the advice of those who oppose a policy of "unrealistic idealism."

It is admitted that the United States is not in a position to bring effective pressure against the Axis power and Russia at the same time and therefore should do what she can to prevent Russia from coming closer to Berlin, Rome and Tokyo.

Many Steps Taken

A number of steps have been taken in this direction, probably on the advice of the Under-Secretary of State, Mr. Sumner Welles. The last of these came when the Administration cancelled those "moral embargoes" on exports of war materials to Russia, which were imposed at the time of the Soviet occupation of Poland and the war against Finland.

Washington's policy appears to be motivated not only by a desire to wean Russia away from Germany, if possible, but also to maintain the U.S.S.R. as a potential military threat against Japan.

Russia, it will be recalled, has been giving effective assistance to Chinese Nationalist Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek ever since the Chinese-Japanese conflict started more than three years ago. This policy has been similar to that of the United States, which in recent months has advanced the Chungking regime more than U.S.$100,000,000 in credits.

Germany, on the other hand, has been attempting to reconcile Russo-Japanese differences so that Japan's armed forces will be for use against the United States, if America should enter the European war on the side of Great Britain, which of course, has supported the United States effort.

Bitter Duel

Thus, a bitter diplomatic duel has been under way in Moscow, where the German and Japanese ambassadors have been pitted against those of the United States and Britain.

The Germans won a round when they obtained their recent commercial agreement with Russia, designed to expand greatly trade between the Reich and the U.S.S.R. Japan won another when she obtained a one-year renewal of the Russo-Japanese fisheries agreement, which regulates Japanese fishing rights in Soviet Far Eastern waters.

The big stake, however, has not yet been won. This stake is a Russian-Japanese non-aggression treaty, which would be part of a broad, general accord defining Russian and Japanese spheres of influence in Asia. Such a treaty, of course, would include a cessation of Russian assistance to Nationalist China and might result in Generalissimo Chiang's collapse. Even more important, it would free Japan's powerful Kwantung Army, which has been kept in Manchoukuo to counter possible thrusts by the U.S.S.R. for use in Asia proper and would enable Japan to mass her entire strength in support of the Axis.

Moscow an Enigma

Few observers in Washington are so optimistic as to forecast genuine Russian-American collaboration against Japan. Generally, it is admitted that Moscow remains an enigma—that all Washington can do is to make friendly gestures, such as the lifting of the moral embargoes, and hope that they will be reciprocated.

The Russian question was in the forefront when I toured Europe with Under-Secretary Welles last year. At that time there was a considerable hope that eventually Moscow might turn against Berlin. Now the best that is hoped for is a reasonable limit for the time being on Russo-German collaboration.

The Administration does not believe that Russia will give Germany military assistance, but it is prepared for a continuation of Russian economic assistance to the Reich so long as Germany can pay for this assistance.

Russia Cautious

Best information indicates that German military moves in south-eastern Europe are not aimed directly at Russia, although Soviet interests are involved. Russia, it is felt, will suffer much before risking a military clash with Chancellor Adolf Hitler's powerful military machine.

The Soviet Ambassador in Washington, M. Constantin Oumansky, is a suave and able diplomat, who has been frequently in conversation with Under-Secretary Welles in recent months. The feeling in Washington, however, is that final decisions always are reached in Moscow and that M. Oumansky's recommendations are important only insofar as they may fit into the larger picture of Soviet foreign policy, which calls for an avoidance of war and furtherance of Russian aims by taking advantage of the weaknesses of neighbouring states.

U.S. Fleet at Hawaii

Moscow, Washington believes, is strengthened in her stand towards both Berlin and Tokyo so long as the bulk of the United States Navy is kept in the Pacific Ocean. A powerful United States Fleet based on Honolulu tends to restrain these groups in Japan who would like to adopt a "strong attitude" towards Russia and at the same time lessens that threat of Japanese expansion in south-eastern Asia, which the United States is attempting to meet.

That the Fleet will be kept in the Pacific indefinitely or at least so long as Britain is able to prevent a German invasion of the British Isles is considered certain. It is Washington's "Ace-in-the-hole" so far as a realistic foreign policy is concerned and there are those who believe it would be used without hesitation if Japan should attempt a military thrust toward Singapore or the Netherlands East Indies.—United Press.

Lieut.-Gen. Killed In China Fighting

Posthumous Decoration To Lieut.-Gen. N. Abe, Killed in Charhar

Tokyo, Feb. 14.

Marking the first death of a lieutenant-general in action since creation of the Imperial Army 70 years ago was the fatal wounding of Lieutenant-General Norishide Abe on November 7, 1939, near Ihsen, southern Charhar Province, it was revealed in the list of honours published at midnight.

Lieutenant-General Abe, who was hit by fragments of a trench mortar bomb while engaged in the campaign against Chinese Communists in the Tahung Mountain range was posthumously accorded the Order of the Golden Kite Third Class, and the Order of the Rising Sun First Class.

Included in the list of awards were 115 officers, 2,520 warrant and non-commissioned officers, and privates, as well as 76 civilians.

The latter were in military employ and died in action from wounds or illness contracted in service during the period from July 25, 1937, to September 24, 1940.

Those killed in action in North, Central and South China as well as in the Nomonhan conflict numbered 1,631, while those who died from illness totalled 1,080 including many who contracted diseases in the Changkufeng conflict in 1938 along the Soviet Union border.

Awarded the prized Order of the Golden Kilte which is the highest military award were 1,613, of whom 33 including Colonel Taizo Umeda, who distinguished himself commanding an artillery unit in the Nomonhan encounter, were given special citations for meritorious service.

The list also included monetary awards to those who previously, as well as this time, were decorated, but failed to obtain the Order of the Golden Kite.—Domei.

Bristle Merchants in Tientsin Form Guild

Tientsin, Feb. 14.

A Bristle Merchants' Guild has been inaugurated in Tientsin, according to a Chinese press report. This new body has been organized on the lines of similar merchants' guilds affiliated with the Chinese Chamber of Commerce.

Forty-seven persons representing the member firms, as well as officials of the local Government organs, were present at the inaugural meeting.

The object of the new Guild, according to the "Yung Pao," is to promote the welfare of the bristle traders.—Reuter.

GENERAL Chiang Kai-shek is due to make a nation-wide broadcast on the eve of the 7th anniversary of the New Life Movement on February 19, according to a Chungking report to the "Sin Wan Pao." The entire staff of the New Life Movement Association will be entertained at a dinner reception to be given at the new premises of the association in Chungking on the same day. General Chiang is also expected to attend the reception. In Chungking the celebrations for the anniversary will last a week, the report concludes.

Japan's Attitude to Soviet Watched

Anti-Soviet Propaganda In U.S.A. But Friendly Overtures in Moscow

Washington, Feb. 14.

With a crisis apparently developing in the Pacific Ocean, considerable interest is being evidenced here in Japanese statements concerning Russia and Japanese actions in Moscow and the bearing they may have on actions of the Japanese imperialists.

The arrival of Admiral Kichisaburo Nomura, the new Japanese Ambassador to the United States, coincides with a considerable quantity of Japanese publicity, similar to that which heralded the arrival of Mr. Kensuke Horinouchi (the former Japanese Ambassador)—of an anti-Soviet nature and giving the general impression that the Soviet is really responsible for sowing the seeds of discord in Japanese-American relations.

This coincides with reports from Moscow that the Japanese are straining every nerve to effect better relations with Russia, even at the price of concessions not previously considered.

Observers here see this as another effort to protect by friendly agreement, her Russian flank in case developments in Europe favour the Axis and make that longed-for southward adventure reasonably safe.

That tension and nervousness, however, exist in Tokyo is seen in the way in which President Roosevelt's remarks at a press conference on Tuesday have been misinterpreted in Japan.

Some astonishment has been caused here by Tokyo's interpretations of those remarks that if the United States were forced into war in the Pacific it would make no difference to American deliveries of war materials to Great Britain.

Reports cabled back from Tokyo quote the President as saying that war in the Pacific was an unthinkable eventuality.

No paper in America appears to have heard taht statement, nor did Mr. Roosevelt, as reported in the Tokyo press, describe the question about aid to Britain in the event of a Pacific war as a hypothetical question.

The President declared it was a bit "iffy," but he saw no reason why he should not answer it, and he gave a firm "No" in reply. He later described it as a fair question to which he had given a fair answer.

The general impression here seems to be that the President indicated that America is in a position to look after its vital interests in the Pacific while still acting as an arsenal for the democracies fighting Nazi aggression.

While the question of whether Japan is really ready to move southward finds political quarters here very much divided, many observers believe that Japanese action against Singapore might bring the United States into the conflict because her own vital rubber supplies are bound up with the maintenance of status quo in Malaya and the Netherlands East Indies.—Reuter.

Russo-Japanese Parley

Moscow, Feb. 14.

Mr. Haruhiko Nishi, Japanese diplomat, called yesterday at the Foreign Office to make preliminary arrangements for the first meeting of the joint Russo-Japanese Commission to negotiate a long-term fisheries convention.

Though both countries had agreed in principle to resumption of negotiations for a general trade agreement, which were begun last year, then suspended, actual conversations for such an agreement have not yet started again, although they are expected to begin shortly.—United Press.

Memorial Service For Late Minister

London, Feb. 14.

The Prime Minister, accompanied by Mrs. Churchill, attended a memorial service for Lord Lloyd, the late Secretary of State for the Colonies, at Westminster Abbey yesterday.—Reuter.

Knox Adamant on Ship Transfers

U.S. Navy Chief Sharply Challenged by Willkie

Washington, Feb. 14.

Col. Frank Knox, Secretary of the Navy, after conferring with President Roosevelt, said yesterday his viewpoint was not changed regarding transfer of additional destroyers to Britain.

Colonel Knox said on Wednesday that he believed no further destroyers could be detached from the United States Fleet without seriously throwing it out of balance.

Mr. Wendell L. Willkie, Republican Party leader, immediately took issue with him and cited "high authorities"—President Roosevelt, by inference—as stating destroyers could be sent to Britain without greatly harming the effectiveness of the American Navy.

It was recalled that Mr. Willkie, testifying before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, had suggested that the United States send from five to 10 destroyers per month to the British.

The dispute between Mr. Willkie and Colonel Knox evoked a formal White House statement.

"The President," the statement said, "is thoroughly informed concerning the question of British destroyer needs. Despite differences of expression of this question, as reported by the press, the President has reason to believe this question will be under study for some time, because of the many elements which enter the picture."

Mr. Stephen Early, the President's secretary, elaborated that "there is no controversy between the President, the Secretary of the Navy or Mr. Willkie."—United Press.

Auxiliaries Possible

Washington, Feb. 13.

The dispute between the Secretary of Navy, Colonel Frank Knox, and the defeated Republican Presidential candidate, Mr. Wendell Willkie, regarding the transfer of more destroyers to Great Britain, has led qualified observers here to mention the pool of 45 recently-converted auxiliary warships as a potential source of further aid to Britain.

Those circles, commenting on Secretary Knox's statement to the press yesterday that no more destroyers could be spared without depleting the United States fleet, pointed out that this statement, strictly speaking, did not apply to auxiliary vessels.—Domei.

Japan Urged to Claim Polar Regions

Tokyo, Feb. 14.

A resolution urging Japan to claim its own share in the South Polar regions by right of explorations made 30 years ago by a Japanese expedition headed by Lieutenant Choku Shirase, retired, was passed at a meeting to commemorate the Japanese Antarctic Expedition of 1911, according to the "Kokumin."

Present at the hall were Lieutenant Shirase and other living members of the party who retold their adventures of 30 years ago.

The meeting adopted a resolution to ask the Government through the Diet to make claim on the regions explored by the party at once. Mr Taneo Miyazawa, member of the House of Representatives, and Marquis Nobutsune Okuma, member of the House of Peers, will use their good offices to transmit the resolution to the respective Houses of the Diet.—Reuter.

THE Tuesday Evening Club of Union Church is holding its fifth meeting of the present session on Tuesday evening of next week. This will be the annual ladies' night, when wives and friends of members as well as other ladies of the Church interested are cordially invited to attend. There will be a reception at 7.30 p.m. in the Church hall and at 8 supper will be served, being followed at 9 by a lecture by Mr. Geo. J. McCarthy entitled "A Tour through India," this being illustrated by means of coloured motion picture films. Tickets for the supper at $2.50 per person may be obtained from the Club officers and in order to assist in the catering it is desirable that early application be made.

Credits in U.S. to Be Frozen Soon

Roosevelt Said Ready to Sign Order When Aid Bill Passed by Congress

Washington, Feb. 14.

President Roosevelt will freeze all foreign funds in the United States as soon as Congress passes the Aid to the Democracies (Lend-Lease) Bill informed sources said yesterday.

The executive orders to accomplish this freezing already have been drawn up, these sources said.

Friendly nations such as Britain, China, Greece and the Latin Americas would be issued general licenses making it possible to withdraw funds at will, it was understood.

Control of the freezing process may be vested in a new unit of the Treasury, including experts able to trace the funds from their source and the uses to which they are put, the sources stated.

New Debt Limit Approved

The Senate Finance Committee yesterday unanimously approved legislation to raise the debt limit from US$49,000,000,000 to US$65,000,000,000 and authorize the Treasury to issue wholly taxable bonds.—United Press.

Manchurian Movie Star Turns Out to Be Japanese

Followers of Miss Li Hsiang-lan, popular Manchurian movie star who is making a personal appearance at a Tokyo theatre, were astonished to learn that she had been identified as a Japanese, says a Japanese report. The disclosure came from an application of her employers for a theatrical permit. Miss Li gave her name as Toshiko Yamaguchi, 22, of Saga Prefecture.

Owing to the popularity of Miss Li at the Nippon Gekijo causing a small riot on Feb. 11 police had been investigating her status and discovered that she had not taken out a theatrical permit which is required of all actors and actresses and other public entertainers.

The application permit disclosed that Miss Li was adopted by a Manchurian when she was a child. Police and firemen were called out to restore order when a mob stormed Miss Li's theatre on Empire Day.—Reuter.

Peers Budget Committee Passes Estimates

Tokyo, Feb. 14.

The House of Peers Budget Committee today approved the 1941 basic general accounts budget estimates totalling Y.6,000,863,000 and the 1941 extraordinary military expenditures amounting to Y.4,000,880,000 thus assuring passage of both these bills without any amendments tomorrow by the Upper and Lower Houses.

The general accounts budget estimates come up to Y.765,000,000 more than last year's figures.

Both bills had been earlier approved by the Lower House Budget Committee.—United Press.

Cuba Bans Totalitarian Propaganda

Havana, Feb. 14.

Regulations prohibiting the dissemination of totalitarian propaganda of any kind by the press, radio, films or through the post were approved by the Cabinet yesterday.—Reuter.

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French Attitude to Determine U.S. Stand

Relief Measures Depend on Political Developments

Washington, Feb. 14.

It was considered in Washington today that any definite decisions taken by the United States regarding the supply of foodstuffs to France would depend upon developments of the political situation in that country.

The political interests of the United States, linked with Great Britain's position, particularly regarding the maintenance of the British naval blockade, overshadowed other considerations.

American diplomatic circles stressed that a relaxation of the blockade in France's favour depended upon the extent to which France was prepared to collaborate with the Axis powers. As long as it remained impossible to gauge the extent of this collaboration, American suspicion of France would not be removed and it would be extremely difficult to satisfy France's request for foodstuffs.

It was feared in Washington that to supply foodstuffs to France would create a precedent which could be invoked by other countries, such as Spain, whose conditions were similar to those prevailing in France as far as shortage of foodstuffs was concerned.

Spain's attitude regarding Gibraltar was being closely watched in the United States. There again, diplomatic considerations overshadowed humanitarian motives, and the American Government was not prepared to supply foodstuffs to Spain as long as the latter's attitude towards Gibraltar remained uncertain.—Havas.

Central News Office in Singapore Wanted

Chungking, Feb. 14.

Following the return of General Wu Teh-chen, Chinese Minister of Overseas Affairs, from a trip to the South Seas, the Chinese authorities are speeding up efforts to open an office of the Central News Agency in Singapore.

This will be the third overseas office to be established by the Chinese official news agency within six months, offices having already been opened in London and Washington.—Reuter.

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Alfonso Renounces Right to Throne

Former King Names Prince Don Juan as Monarch When Time Opportune in Spain

Lisbon, Feb. 14.

Former King Alfonso of Spain on January 15 renounced his rights to the throne and named Prince Don Juan "King of all the Spaniards" when Spain judges it opportune, it was revealed yesterday.

Many quarters believed Alfonso's renunciation of his rights would lead to an immediate restoration of the monarchy in Spain with Prince Don Juan on the throne.

Negotiations for the restoration of the monarchy have been under way since the end of the Civil War.

Diplomatic quarters reported that Chancellor Hitler was angered by the naming of Prince Don Juan, pointing out that the latter was educated in England as a naval officer and might work against Germany's interests.

It was understood that opposition to Generalissimo Franco's desire to restore the monarchy as a means of curbing Spain's internal struggle also had developed within the ranks of the Falangists, who wish to wield supreme power. (Reports from Rome said Alfonso suffered a mild heart attack on Wednesday, but was now out of danger.)—United Press.

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New York, Feb. 13.

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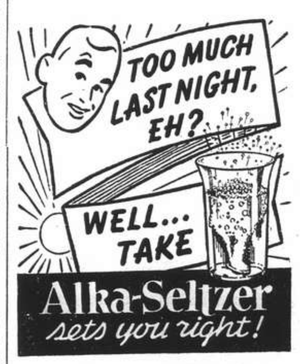
In western Oklahoma and central Kansas, all railway and highway traffic has been brought to a complete standstill.—Havas.



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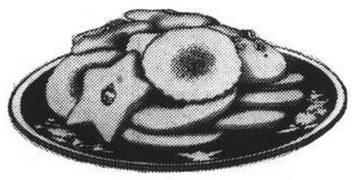
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FROM DAY TO DAY

THE many friends of Miss Betty Sayer will be pleased to hear that she has arrived safely in Glasgow, and is eager to get busy.

FURTHER War Portraits include tonight's one on "Himmler" by John Harford. He broadcasts this series every Saturday at 8.30 from XCDN.

THIRTY minutes entertainment is promised tonight at 8.30 from XCDN, when Mr. Faulder presents his programme "XCDN's Friends at the Mike."

THE preacher at the morning service at Union Church tomorrow at 10.45 will be the Rev. Alex. Baxter, council secretary of the London Mission.

MR. Masusaburo Amano, President of the Shanghai Transport Company, left Shanghai for Kobe on business in the ss. Asama Maru yesterday the "Shanghai Mainichi" reports.

PREPARATIONS are now under way for the establishment of the Yangchow, Kashing, Chinkiang, and Changchow branches of the Central Reserve Bank, the "Tairiku Shimpo" reports.

MR. Yen Chun-kuang, member of the Central Executive Committee or the Kuomintang at Nanking, has been appointed Vice-President of the Propaganda Bureau of the orthodox Kuomintang, local Japanese-language papers report.

MR. Naobumi Tsubouchi, chief investigator of the Japanese Ministry of Railways, will arrive at Shanghai aboard in the ss. Nagasaki Maru on an inspection tour of transport facilities in China the "Shanghai Mainichi" reports.

IN continuation of the series of Sunday evening talks from XCDN on "Christian Issues in Wartime," the speaker tomorrow at 9.15 p.m., will be the Rev. E. J. Ottewell, of the Church Missionary Society, who is taking as his theme "Christian emphases in Wartime."

A CHINESE woman was taken to the Lester Chinese Hospital at 9.40 a.m. yesterday after she had been hit by a motor car on the South side of the Garden Bridge. The victim was crossing the road when the car knocked her down. She sustained laceration of scalp.

FOR the benefit of children of Japanese residing in the area between Hongkew and Yangtszepoo Creeks, a branch school of the Central Japanese Primary School will be opened in April at the corner of Tongshan and Kungping Road, the "Tairiku Shimpo" reports.

POISONED by the fumes of a charcoal stove, a Chinese male was in a serious condition at the Yangtszepoo Hospital yesterday. An S.F.B. emergency ambulance was called to a Chinese dwelling at the corner of Ward and Ningkuo Roads at 11.50 a.m. yesterday to convey the victim to the hospital.

A CENSUS of the population in various districts will be taken by the Hunan Provincial Government from March 10, states a report to the "Sin Wan Pao." The census is planned because various districts have been reorganized or expanded following the introdution of the new district administrative system.

DISCUSSIONS are being held in Chungking for the conclusion of a new Sino-Soviet and a Sino-American barter agreement, states a Chungking message to the "Cheng Yien Pao." In the new Sino-American barter agreement, tung oil will be the main exchange for American goods, while tea will be temporarily left out.

Jumping from moving trams, even if they are going slowly, does not pay and this was fully demonstrated at 12.35 p.m. yesterday when a Chinese man dislocated his hip after he had alighted from the tram at the corner of Avenue and Hart Roads. The vehicle was still going and the man fell down. He was taken to St. Luke's No. 2 Hospital.

DR. Samuel Y. Sung, who had been for many years medical superintendent of the Pakhoi Leper Settlement, Pakhoi, Kwangtung, will broadcast, at the invitation of the Chinese Mission to Lepers, over XMHD, frequency 760, wave-length 395 metres, from 7 to 7.30 this evening on the subject, "What the public should know about Leprosy."

A CHINESE mafoo had the unpleasant experience of being bitten by the horse he was leading and had to be taken to St. Luke's No. 2 Hospital, suffering from fracture of a finger on his left hand. The case was reported to the Fire Brigade at 12.14 p.m. and an ambulance was sent to the corner of Chengtu and Bubbling Well Roads to take the man to Paulun Hospital.

A STEADY progress has been made in the past three years by the China Industrial Co-operative Association which was sponsored by the Chinese Government authorities with the co-operation of industrialists shortly after the outbreak of the Sino-Japanese hostilities, reports the "Sin Wan Pao." The aim of the industrial co-operatives is to provide work for refugees and to attain a degree of national self-sufficiency.

FOLLOWING the completion of his official mission in Chengtu, seat of the Szechuan Provincial Government, General Liu Wen-hui, Pacification Commissioner for Sikong, left for Sikong on Sunday to resume his official duties, says a message to the "Shun Pao." General Liu arrived in Chengtu recently and made a trip to Chungking where he received fresh instructions from General Chiang Kai-shek to whom he submitted a report on administrative conditions in Sikong.

MEMORIAL services will be held here at the Higashi Honganji Temple, Wuchang Road, this afternoon from two to four o'clock for the late Vice-Admiral Hikojiro Suga, naval adviser to the National Military Council of the National Government of Nanking, the "Shanghai Mainichi" reports. The late naval officer was killed in the ill-fated plane which crashed February 5, together with five other officers including Admiral Mineo Osuki, while travelling from Canton to Hainan Island.

Indian Praise for Army of Nile

Italian African Empire Going Bit by Bit; Good Work in Eritrea

Comment in the newspaper press of India on British successes in Libya unanimously stresses the great achievement of Britain's Army of the Nile and points out the increasing difficulties of Mussolini.

In a survey, just received in Shanghai by cable, mention is made of the editorial in the "Hindustan Standard" which remarks that Mussolini's African Empire is now about to go bit by bit. "The prospects before Mussolini are the loss of Italy's African Empire and the subordination of his own authority and of his own country to Hitler and his henchmen."

The pro-Congress "Sind Observer" says that "never did a boastful enemy, who claims old Roman traditions, cut such a sorry figure." The "Free Press Journal," also pro-Congress, says that Italian armed forces have been decisively routed and their air arm crippled.

"By entering the Mediterranean," says the "Tribune," "the Luftwaffe has not strengthened its power to smash England. Germany's appearance in the Middle East makes Britain's task easier. Britain is not now fighting against diverse forces but against one, namely Germany."

Praise for Indian Troops

The Government "Press Notes" point out that Indian troops are in the van of operations in Italian East Africa. Official despatches report that the Sappers and Miners have done exceptionally fine work near Keren. Undaunted by the commanding positions held by the Italians, Indian infantry scaled the heights with disconcerting speed, took the positions at the point of the bayonet, and captured 700 prisoners. The advance guard and offensive patrols of Indian mechanized cavalry were a considerable success, their dash and vigour greatly assisting the speed of the advance.

Earlier despatches from the Sudan contained warm commendations of the fighting qualities of the Indian troops. Their spirit in a series of dashing actions and their superb skill and dash in raids, forced the enemy to retire behind Metemma. On January 12, despite heavy machine-gun fire, Indian troops stormed the position with fixed bayonets, and in the fierce hand-to-hand fight which followed all the occupants of the enemy trenches were killed by hand grenades.

The General Officer Commanding the Sudan sent them special congratulations. Several instances of individual initiative and gallantry are mentioned.

Opposition to Nazism

The Combined Conference of South Indian Christians which has just concluded, passed a resolution declaring its emphatic opposition to Nazism and Fascism, and requested the Government to provide facilities to enable their young men to enter the fighting services. It also urged the Government to initiate measures for solving the political deadlock.

Mr. Gandhi, writing to the newspapers, has just declared that his effort is a true effort to end all war and is, therefore, in no way anti-British or pro-German. "It is falsely cruel to suggest that I can have anything in common with Nazism or Fascism because I happen to oppose British Imperialism."

Mr. Vinobabh Ave, one of the Mahatma's leading lieutenants, has declared that it is libelling the Congress Party to say that its resistance is aiding the Totalitarian Powers. If Congress resists British Imperialism it resists more forcibly Totalitarian aggression.

The Viceroy's War Purposes Fund, up to January 15, had reached the total of 28,740,000 rupees. On January 25, the Indian Defence Loans totalled 490,786,000 rupees, including interest-free Defence Bonds totalling 22,942,000 rupees.

Salvation Army Appeal

Swiftly passing the $100,000 mark, the Salvation Army's 1941 Appeal Fund yesterday had mounted the highly-satisfactory total of $105,190, Brigadier B. Morris announced. The officer is in charge of the campaign and also is commanding officer of the Army in this region. The Army's goal is $175,000.

It is requested that donations be sent to Army Headquarters, Sassoon Arcade, 40 Nanking Road. Donations received will be acknowledged in these columns.

An example of the esteem and admiration in which the Army is held here and all over the world for that matter, was offered yesterday when a donation of $300 came from a foreign couple on the verge of celebrating their silver wedding anniversary with a party. Instead of giving the party, as was planned, the couple sent $300 to the Army.

The new list of donations follows:—

Balance brought forward	$96,974		
National City Bank New York	1,000		
General Motors China Ltd.	900		
Maze, Sir Frederick	250		
Jung Wai Wha Chun Chang	44		
Chung, Mr/Mrs. F. M. J.	25		
Henry H. Cohen, Ltd.	100		
Commissariat, E. J.	11		
Cheng Hsien-sheng	500		
Chen Kwang-pan	300		
Chien Chen-yang	100		
Cheng Hsien-sheng	50		
Tang Hsien-sheng	10		
Yung Hsiang Shu-kuan	6		
Anon	1,100	Hunter,J.L.	100
Euergin,Paul N.	300	Anon	50
Henchman,A.S.	300	Petersen,K.E.	50
Wens,D.R.C.	200	Colman,P.C.	50
Hamilton,F.	150	Gray,Mr/Mrs.N.	20
Eysberg,F.	100	Faber,J.G.	20
Edward,D.W.	100	J.C.China & Co.	25
Hasselman,A.R.	100	Victor	5
Nance,W.B.	100	Lou I-yuen	20
Chen Mrs.	100	Chang Hsien-ta	20
"Hugo"	100	Chin Pao-kun	5
Friend	50	Henningsen,A.B.	100
Piper,K.F.	50	Pond,T.H.	50
Kennedy,A.P.D.	50	Rundell,A.F.	50
"R.H.O."	50	Hawkings,W.J.	25
Wakeling,E.C.	50	Baxter,Rev.A.	25
Gain,Peter D.G.	50	Thurnher,F.	20
"G.Y.E."	50	Yen Ching Sung	20
Borgeest,A.	30	Glass,Dr.G.	5
Sampson,H.J.H.	30	Allen,E.C.	200
Mally,Mrs.M.E.	30	Saker,R.M.	100
Sainton,W.H.	30	Anon.	70
Ways,D.	25	Yah Shing	50
Zwick,N.	25	Zung Kee	50
Juhl,A.	25	Hanies,C.H.	35
Parr Miss M.E.	25	Hills,Mrs.V.M.	25
Brewer,R.W.	20	Roda,H.W.	20
Barbash,B.S.	20	"Peter"	20
Saint-Pol,G.	15	"I.Y.S."	10
Chi Ching Wha	10	Scurr,W.H.	9
Ma Chih Ho	10	Elizabeth Kruger	5
Marshall	10	Loh,P.Y.	5
Mary Myers	250	Ying,T.M.	5
Croker,R.	175	Liang,S.Y.	10
Anonymous	200	Chen,S.W.	10
Wang,S.D.	100	Black,F.C.	4
			$105,190

Severe 'Quakes in 1941 Predicted

Biggest Tremor of Century Foreseen Owing to Pull of Planets in Autumn

Vancouver, B.C., Feb. 14.

There will be "destructive" to "very severe" earthquakes at seven different times during the year 1941, according to Mr. Edgar C. Thrupp, a retired civil engineer of this town, who has been quite successful in the last five years in such predictions.

He said that he feared that because of the pull of the planets that 1941 would be one of the worst earthquake years of the 20th century. The most severe quake of the year, he predicted, would occur between August 20 and September 10 and between the hours 4 and 10 p.m.

The engineer contends that the planets when in certain positions exert a gravitational effect on the earth, which creates a wave on the side of the earth opposite the planets. If this wave is unusually large, he said, because of the gravitational pull by the planets it will cause quakes if it hits a weak spot or a geological fault in the earth's crust.

Professor H. A. Coombs, seismologist of the University of Washington, who has been checking on Mr. Thrupp's predictions said recently that "they were much better than mere chance. Most quake predictions are based on mere guesses, but Mr. Thrupp has something different."

Mr. Thrupp's 1941 predictions call for severe quakes between January 20 and February 10; March 20 and April 5; June 25 and July 20; October 22 and November 7 and December 15 to January 10, 1942.—Reuter.

Officers' Bodies Taken To Kwangtung H.Q.

Chinese Describe Admiral Osumi's Uniform

Chungking, Feb. 14.

The bodies of six Japanese naval officers including Baron Admiral Osumi, Supreme War Councillor, who were killed when a Japanese air liner was alleged to have been shot down by guerillas near Chungshan on Feb. 5, have been taken by a guerilla unit to the military headquarters of the Kwangtung front, according to a Central News Agency despatch from western Kwangtung. Documents and part of the wreckage of the plane also have been removed.

A Central News correspondent, after inspecting the bodies, wreckage and papers, reports: "Among the most important papers and documents were plans of the Japanese Navy in the southward expansion programme drafted by Admiral Osumi, also a secret agreement between Japan, Manchoukuo and Nanking.

"The majority of other papers and documents consisted of military orders and maps. The uniform worn by Admiral Osumi is a black naval uniform with an admiral's badge, with the Japanese character for 'Osumi' embroidered in silk in the lining. Admiral 'Osumi's' sword and dagger also were there.

"Photographs of the aeroplane wreckage show that the bodies are in fairly good condition. The aeroplane was a large transport with a capacity of over 10 passengers."—Reuter.

China Wants Australian Minister at Chungking

Canberra, Feb. 14.

Chungking has made several approaches through its Consul-General here for an exchange of Ministers with Australia, it was learned officially yesterday.

While an immediate decision was unlikely, a Minister to China was authoritatively regarded as a logical development of Australian diplomatic policy in the Pacific following the appointment of ministers to America and Japan.—United Press.

Vessels Discharging

NELEUS & LYCAON. from Liverpool. Cargo ex these vessels has arrived from Hongkong per ss. Hunan for discharge at China Navigation Co.'s Pootung Wharf. Consignees are requested to send in their Bills of Lading in exchange for local Delivery Orders. Examination of Damaged Cargo will be held at the above Wharf on February 18. No insurance effected. Butterfield & Swire, Agents. 15-2

Yesterday's Arrivals

Name	From	Consignees
Kobe M.	Japan	T.K.K.
Meiyo	Hsinkong	S.V.O.C.
Vanping	T'senkong	Chung Hua

Yesterday's Departures

Name	Flag	Despatcher
Asama M.	Jap.	N.Y.K.
Meitung	Am.	S.V.O.C.
Myoken M.	Jap.	T.K.K.

Men-of-War in Port

Name	Flag	Type	Berthed
Luzon	Am.	Gbt.	B.N.B.
Oahu	Am.	Gbt.	B.N.B.
D. de Lagree	Fr.	Gbt.	K.S.D.
Fran. Garnier	Fr.	Gbt.	F.N.B.
E. Carlotto	Itl.	Gbt.	I-2 B.
Lepanto	Itl.	Gbt.	I-2 B.

SHIPPING NEWS

The ss. **d'Artagnan**, fast French Mail liner of the Messageries Maritimes Company, is scheduled to leave harbour this morning at 10 a.m. bound for Saigon and Manila with passengers and cargo. The vessel, which is berthed alongside the Shanghai and Hongkew Wharf, Shanghai side, arrived here two days ago from Kobe.

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The ss. **Hoten Maru**, express liner of the D.K.K. operating on the Shanghai-Tsingtao-Dairen run, is due to leave again for the Northern ports this morning at 9 o'clock, after a 36-hour stay in harbour. The liner, which carries mail and passengers, is docked alongside the company's Whangpoo Wharf. Ordinary letter mail for the ship will be closed at the Post Office at 7.15 this morning.

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The ss. **Kobe Maru**, shuttle steamer of the Toa Kaiun Kaisya, running between Shanghai and Nagasaki, is due to sail on her return trip to Japan this morning at 8.30, carrying mail and passengers. The liner arrived here yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock berthing alongside the company's Wayside Wharf. Outgoing passengers for the ship are requested to embark from the wharf direct at least half an hour before sailing time.

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The ss. **Dairen Maru**, fast liner of the Dairen Kisen Kaisya, running between Shanghai, Tsingtao and Dairen, is due to enter port this afternoon at about 4 o'clock, tying up alongside the company's Whangpoo Wharf. The liner, which carries mail and passengers, will remain here for 36 hours, sailing on her return voyage to the north on February 17 at 9 o'clock. Registered and ordinary mail for the ship will be closed at the Post Office at 8 o'clock tomorrow night and 7.15 on Monday morning, respectively.

Vessels Arriving To-day

The following particulars in connection with vessels due to arrive today are based upon information available yesterday evening.

From **NAGASAKI:** Shanghai Maru, with mail, due 3 p.m., Wayside Wharf.

From **DAIREN:** Dairen Maru, with mail, due 3 p.m., Whangpoo Wharf.

Due at Future Dates

All vessels are listed under their terminal port. The first date is that of the ship's departure from that port, and the second is the date she is due to arrive in Shanghai. Where a ship's name is duplicated it indicates the port of call last visited.

On account of the present international situation there is considerable interference with movements of ships, especially those from Europe. In cases where it is definitely known that the vessel is not running to schedule the Shanghai arrival date is omitted.

EUROPE AND STRAITS

From Bombay & Calcutta		From Karachi	
M'bourne M	— 25/2	Kasima M	— 17/2
Matue M	— 25/2		

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From New York		From Seattle	
Jeff Davis	— 16/2	W C'seta	20/1 16/2
Dona A'rora	— 21/2	Satartia	15/2 9/3
Vincent	— 1/3		
From Los Angeles		**From Yokohama**	
Tatuta M	5/1 17/2	Tatuta M	13/2 17/2
Nitta M	24/1 2/2	Nitta M	12/2 5/3
Nimapo	— 7/3	From Kobe	
Wildcat M	10/2 10/3	Taiyo M	12/2 16/2
		Tatuta M	19/2 17/2
From San F'cisco		**From Nagasaki**	
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CHINA PORTS

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The undermentioned vessels are due to leave Shanghai on the dates indicated.

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Kinai M	9/3	Dona Aurora	26/2
Ningpo	9/3	Ningpo	9/3
		Satartia	12/3
For Los Angeles		**For Osaka**	
Asama M	14/2	Kasima M	18/2
P Coolidge	25/2	**For Yokohama**	
Dona Aurora	26/2	Matue M	27/2
P. Pierce	8/3	Tatuta M	28/2
Kinai M	9/3		
Ningpo	9/3	**For Kobe**	
		Taiyo M	19/2
For Seattle		Melbourne M	27/2
West Cuseta	20/2	**For Nagasaki**	
Satartia	12/3	Kobe M	15/2
		Shanghai M	16/2
For Manila		Nagasaki M	18/2
Tatuta M	18/2		
West Cuseta	20/2	**For Dairen**	
Dona Aurora	26/2	Hoten M	15/2
Ningpo	9/3	Dairen M	17/2
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ss. WEST CUSETA	Sailed	Feb. 17/20	Feb. 24	Feb. 28
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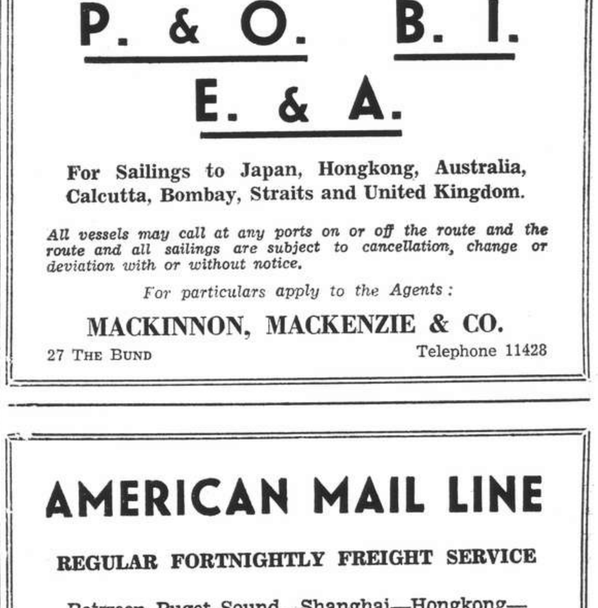

ACROSS

1 One may be proud of one's house and yet consider it this (9)
3 Describes the deeds of the shop-lifter for example (13)
11 He is coming in for something in the Irish Free State (4)
12 A movement on the move of course (5)
13 A lake in the Lake district perhaps (4)
16 Unrestrained (two words—2, 5)
17 A post-harvester in a way (7)
18 Flower that suggests a good pen-name for an author in past days (7)
20 "Be thou as chaste as ice, as pure as snow, thou shalt not escape ——" ("Hamlet") (7)
21 Not a sensible state to be in (4)
22 A short question (5)
23 One finds it countrified past this (4)
26 Game for Professors of Harmony (two words—7, 6)
27 Stain that has divided use in a foundry (9)

DOWN

2 She is sure either to talk nonsense or to make a statement if upset (4)
3 A retort from a fencer (7)
4 Permanent (7)
5 "That —— is half-cured whose cause we know" (Churchill) (4)
6 Far from brave (partly due to illness?) (13)
7 Describes someone over strength in a way (13)
9 Is this hawker much used to raise weights? (two words—5, 4)
10 Treacherous actions that might be made by a slater (9)
14 Disease caused by many with an auction (5)
15 Wherein Irving made a striking success (5)
19 Town of Belgium (7)
20 A liqueur as it should be spelt (7)
24 The dying toper showed signs of interest when the undertaker spoke of this (4)
25 African language upset in 16 across (4)

Y'DAY'S SOLUTION.—**ACROSS**: 1, Iron rations; 9, Uncut; 10, Cats-meat man; 11, Noose; 12, China; 15, Gravy; 17, Fee; 18, Bath; 19, Marne; 21, Price; 22, Nasal; 23, Revel; 26, Reef; 27, Ate; 28, Crowd; 30, Depot; 33, Later; 35, Anaesthesia; 36, Thorn; 37, Killing time. **DOWN**: 2, Roach; 3, No sun; 4, Apex; 5, Inter; 6, Sunny; 7, Scholarship; 8, Steel helmet; 12, Copper-plate; 13, Indigestion; 14, After; 15, Gem; 16, Van; 20, Ended; 24, Err; 25, Lad; 28, Crank; 29, Wheel; 31, Erect; 32, Odium; 34, Eton.

COMMERCE AND FINANCE

Money and Exchange

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANK

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 1941

BANK'S SELLING RATES 10 A.M.

£1 @ 3⅜d.	$ 71.11
U.S. $100 @ 5½	$1,818.18
Yen 23⅜	$100
Guilders 10¼	100
Rupees 18¾	100
Pesos 11	100
Hongkong $22⅜	100

BANK'S BUYING RATES 10 A.M.

£1 @ 3⅛d.	$ 69.18
U.S. $100 @ 5⅝	$1,777.00
London—demand, $1=	3⅛d.
4 months' sight credits	3⅛d.
4 months' sight docts	3⅛d.
6 months' sight credits	3⅛d.
6 month' sight docts	3⅛d.
New York—demand, $100=	U.S. $5⅝
4 months' sight credits	U.S. $5⅛
4 months' sight docts	U.S. $5⅜

NEW YORK/LONDON CASH RATES

£1=U.S. $4.03½ U.S. $1=59.48d

INTERBANK CLOSING SELLING RATES

Sterling ..... 3⅛d. U.S. $5⅛

Hongkong/London 1/3

NETHERLANDS TRADING SOCIETY

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U.S.$ Selling ,, @ 9½ ,, H.H.$ 1

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CUSTOMS OFFICIAL RATES FOR DUTY PAYMENTS

Gold Unit 1.00—Hua Hsing $2.797

Gold Unit 1.00—Local $ $4.979

Local Exchange Report

Messrs. Drakeford, Davis & Wilson

INTER BANK CASH DELIVERY

£ Highest 3 7/8 Lowest 3 13/32

U.S. $ 5 13/32 5 17/32

MERCHANT CLOSING RATES

Cash		Feb./Mar.	
£ T.T.	3⅜	4 m/s. l.c.	3½
U.S.$ T.T.	5½	4 m/s. l.c.	5⅝
Rs. T.T.	18⅞	15 d/s.	19⅜

BAR SILVER

	READY	FOR'D
London pence per std. oz.	23 5/8	23¼
N.Y. cents per oz. troy	34¾	—
Bombay Rs. per 100 tolas	63.03	—
Bombay offtake 100 bars.		

NEW YORK/LONDON CASH RATES

N.Y. closing rate for Feb. 13	4.03¼
Local Sellers of U.S.$ against £ at the close	3.88
Local Buyers of U.S.$ against £ at the close	3.89

Speculative sellers were prominent in the market at the opening and quotations moved up quickly to 3 7/16d. sterling and 5 3/32 U.S.$. Thereafter there were both buyers and sellers in the market which fluctuat d around 3 3/32d sterling and 5 1/16 U.S.$ until noon. In the afternoon buyers predominated and an easier feeling prevailed. At the close the market was quiet with sellers at:—

3 3/32d. Sterling 5 1/32 U.S.$. Cash/Feb.

3 5/32d. ,, 5½ ,, Mar.

Foreign Exchanges

Closing, Feb. 13.

Bombay Rupee T. T. on:

Japan	81¼ N.	London	1/5 3/32
New York	332¼	2 mths	
Shanghai	20	,, sellers	1/5 3/32
Hongkong	64¼	,, buyers	1/6 1/32
		Japan 2 mths	
		,, sellers	82¾ N.
		,, buyers	77

London £ Sterling T. T. on:

New York	402.50	Bombay	1/6 1/32
Madrid	40.00	Hongkong	1/3 7/16
Berne	17.30	Singapore	2/4 7/16
Bel. Congo	176.50	Yokohama	1/2½
Shanghai	3 11/16d.	,, buying	1/2

New York U.S.$. T. T. on:

Berlin	40.05	Japan	23.45/23.48*
Spain	9.25 N.	Shanghai	5.65
Paris	2.19	Hungary	19.75
Italy	5.05 N.	Rumania	0.50
S'zerland	23.23	Yugo Slavia	2.30
,, "free"	23.25	Finland	2.05
Sweden	23.85	Manila	49.80 N.
Montreal	83.250	Hongkong	24.37
Brazil	5.05		

London	4.03¼ to 4.03½
Buenos Aires Paper	29.78
,, ,, ,, market rate	23.60
Montreal on London	4.86⅛

N—Nom.—Reuter.

Foreign Money Rates

London:	Feb. 13.
Fine Bank Bills, 3 months	1 1/16%
Bank Bills, 6 months	1 3/16%
Fine Trade Bills, 3 months	2 3/16%
Fine Trade Bills 6 months	3 1/16%
Call money	0 1/8%
New York:	
Bankers' Acceptances for 1, 2 and 3 months	0 1/32%B 0 1/16%A
Bankers' Acceptances for 4 months	0 3/32%B 0 1/8%A
Call money	1%

B—Bid A—Asked.—Reuter.

Industrial Loan By Chinese Government

Chungking, Feb. 12.

Owing to the favourable results obtained last year, the Bureau for the Co-ordination of Industrial and Mining Affairs of the Ministry of Economic Affairs has decided to increase the funds available for loans to industrial concerns from $20,000,000 to $32,000,000.

The loans are granted existing factories which want to develop their plants, and those which have just started operating and have made no profits at yet.

On the other hand, the "General Joint Office" of the four Government banks, has signed an agreement with the Kwangsi Provincial Government whereby the latter will be granted an agricultural loan of $34,000,000.

The total amount of loans granted by the office to various provinces up till the end of 1940 amounted to $370,000,000, of which over $200,000,000 have already been used up.

The policy of the General Joint Office as far as agricultural loans are concerned is to increase the area of cultivated land and encourage the production of foodstuffs.—Havas.

Silver Quotations

	Feb. 13	Feb. 14
London spot	23 5/16d.	23¼d.
,, forward	23¼d.	23¼d.
,, gold	168/-	168/-

—Reuter

Shanghai Stocks

Yesterday's Business

While rates opened considerably lower, it can be said that the market gave a good account of itself, as heavy liquidation was well absorbed, though in a somewhat erratic manner. The leaders, such as Docks and Ewos, were steady all the morning, closing at much the same rates as at the opening. Wheelocks, due to a large over-bought position, were steady early, but liquidation forced them to $81, at which point there was good buying, the market closing at $82, Good buying was noticed in the Trust companies, while the newer issues, such as Textiles, Ewo Breweries and Worsted, held up extremely well. There was again a heavy turnover in Explorations and Lumber, both of which prices were steady. Rubbers were under pressure and, while the prices were lower, held steady, with the opening and closing quotations much the same.

Official Averages

High	Low		Today's Average	Change
462.56	105.32	General	274.33	—11.70
425.40	95.55	Rubbers	238.77	—21.09

Total 532,155 shares, 80 bonds.

Morning Session

China Finance	1000	0.90	3000	0.94
3000	1.06	6000	1.12	3000 *1.12
Yangtsze Finance	500	15.00	500	14.80
2000	14.00	2500	14.10	1000 13.40
1000	13.60	500	13.50	1500 13.20
1000	*13.20	1500	13.30	1000 13.20
1000	*13.20	500	13.40	500 13.50
500	13.80	500	14.00	500 14.30
500	14.40	500	14.20	500 *14.10
500	*14.20	500	14.10	3500 14.00
1000	13.80	1500	13.50	500 13.60
3500	13.40	2000	13.20	
S'hai Loan		4000	16.00	1500 16.50
500	17.00	3000	16.80	500 16.40
500	*16.40	500	16.30	1000 16.10
1500	16.00	1500	*15.60	6500 15.50
500	16.00			
I. I. Trust		5500	18.00	500 18.30
1000	18.50	1500	18.20	500 18.10
500	*18.50	500	18.90	2000 19.20
1000	19.00	2500	18.00	1000 17.80
500	17.80	500	18.00	
S'hai Securities		6500	5.00	500 4.90
500	*4.75	1000	4.80	500 *5.10
500	5.05	4000	5.00	3500 4.95
500	4.90	1500	5.00	
China Realty		1000	6.00	500 8.20
5000	8.10	1000	8.15	
S'hai Land		1000	11.00	4500 10.50
1500	10.60	1000	10.70	2000 10.80
7000	11.00	500	11.10	2500 10.90
Dockyards		9500	26.00	500 *26.00
200	25.50	1300	26.25	2300 25.75
200	*25.50	800	26.25	2000 26.75
2100	27.00	100	*27.00	200 27.25
300	*26.75	600	*26.50	2900 26.25
2100	*26.00	1200	26.50	400 26.25
300	*25.75	1500	25.50	7200 25.75
200	25.50	100	*25.50	1100 26.00
Ewo Brewery		4500	7.20	3000 7.10
500	*6.95	500	*7.00	3000 7.00
2500	*7.05	6000	6.95	1000 7.05
8000	7.00	14500	6.95	500 *6.95
3000	6.90	1500	7.05	500 7.10
500	7.00			
Wheelock		2600	86.00	100 *86.50
900	86.50	3400	85.00	200 85.50
100	84.00	300	*85.00	1700 85.00
900	*85.00	300	84.50	1700 *84.50
100	84.00	300	85.00	100 85.50
200	86.50	500	*86.00	1800 87.00
100	86.50	200	*87.00	100 85.50
200	85.00	1900	84.50	100 84.00
300	*83.50	300	83.00	200 *83.00
1800	82.50	600	83.00	3300 82.00
400	81.50	100	*82.00	600 81.00
1200	81.50	400	*82.00	200 82.00
400	81.00	500	82.50	500 82.00
Ewo Mills (Ord)		1600	38.25	1600 38.00
600	*38.00	4000	38.50	500 *38.50
5300	37.75	700	*37.75	2500 38.00
200	*38.00	100	*37.75	1000 38.25
800	38.50	1600	38.75	3100 39.00
700	*39.00	100	39.25	200 38.50
2400	38.00	1000	37.75	1100 38.25
500	*38.25	400	*38.00	700 38.00
600	37.75	200	37.50	5100 37.75
1700	37.50	700	*37.75	1200 38.00
100	*38.00	500	*37.75	1600 37.75
200	*37.75			
Textile		2000	7.60	3000 *7.70
500	*7.60	3500	7.70	1000 7.75
2000	7.80	2000	7.90	500 *7.90
500	7.55	500	8.00	2000 8.05
8500	8.00	11000	7.90	1000 7.85
500	8.10	1000	7.95	
Worsted		1500	5.00	3000 5.25
1000	5.30	500	*5.25	6000 5.20
1500	5.15	500	*5.15	1500 5.30
Tram (Bearer)	£1			100 43.50
1100	44.00	900	44.25	
C. G. Omnibus		100	16.60	500 16.50
300	16.30	500	16.20	200 16.30
200	16.10	700	16.20	100 16.30
Telephone		1000	32.50	300 32.25
100	32.00	1400	32.75	300 33.00
1500	33.50	100	*33.75	1000 33.75
100	33.25	200	33.75	
S'hai Gas (Old)		100	16.30	100 15.80
100	*15.70	300	15.70	200 *15.60
100	15.70	100	*15.80	300 15.80
300	15.60	100	*15.70	100 15.50
100	*15.50			
Lumber		100	44.00	100 43.00
1500	42.00	200	41.50	100 42.50
100	43.00	100	44.00	200 43.50
700	43.00	700	42.50	100 *42.50
900	42.00	500	*42.00	100 41.50
300	42.00			
Metal (Old)		900	26.25	4900 *26.50
1100	26.00	100	25.75	200 *25.50
300	25.75	500	26.00	100 26.25
500	26.50	200	26.75	500 26.25
700	25.50	600	25.25	1400 25.50
300	25.75	200	25.25	500 26.00
Metal (New)		200	22.00	200 21.75
1600	21.00	200	*21.50	500 21.25
100	21.50	300	20.50	100 *20.75
100	20.75	100	21.50	100 21.25
3500	21.00	1800	21.25	2200 21.50
500	21.75	200	*21.50	500 *21.25
300	*21.00	900	20.75	2800 20.50
100	*20.75	300	*20.50	600 20.25
1700	20.50			
Kaiping		200	44.00	200 43.50
500	42.00	100	42.50	
Exploration		1000	19.70	1500 19.60
1500	20.00	7000	19.50	1500 19.30
500	19.40	1000	*19.40	2000 19.60
500	19.50	2000	19.90	4000 20.00
500	20.25	500	*20.00	500 19.90
1500	19.80	1000	19.70	500 19.90
500	*19.90	1500	19.80	2000 19.70
1000	19.60	500	19.30	1500 19.50
500	*19.60	3000	19.60	1000 19.70
2000	19.80	500	*19.90	3000 19.80
2000	19.70	1000	19.90	2000 19.80
Power (Pref.)				10 130.50
Anglo Dutch		2400	16.00	800 15.70
400	*16.00	100	16.50	1000 16.20
400	16.10	100	15.90	100 *16.00
500	16.00	200	16.20	700 16.10
400	16.20			
Anglo Java		500	33.00	600 32.50
100	32.00	1700	31.50	300 *31.50
800	31.00	600	31.75	1900 32.00
400	32.25	400	32.50	100 31.75
1300	31.50	300	31.25	100 *31.5
400	31.75	300	32.00	100 31.75
Bute				2000 5.50
Cheng		1000	0.72	3000 0.70
Dominion				500 9.00
Kroewoek		1000	*2.00	1000 *2.25
1000	2.25	1000	2.00	
Kota		2000	3.90	1000 3.97½
2000	3.90			
Langkat		400	22.50	900 22.00
500	*22.50	400	23.25	100 *22.25
600	22.00	400	21.25	500 *21.25
100	*21.50	1200	21.50	1200 23.00
200	22.50	200	22.75	400 *23.00
400	22.75	1000	22.50	500 *22.25
400	22.25	3600	22.00	500 22.25
S'hai Loan				1500 *15.40
Rubber Trust		2000	8.60	1500 8.55
500	8.40	500	8.25	500 8.20
Senawang		6000	1.30	4000 1.2
2000	1.30			
Kelantan		1000	0.75	1000 0.70
Tanah Merah		1000	2.50	2000 2.30
1000	2.45	1000	2.40	
Tebong		6000	1.22	1000 1.20
8000	1.24			
Ziangbe		1800	18.50	100 18.30
100	19.00	400	18.80	200 *18.90
100	19.00	200	18.60	300 18.50
100	*18.50	300	18.80	300 18.60
300	*18.50			
S. W. W. 6½% (Pref)				570 13.50
Power 5½% Debs.				5000 89.00
3000	*89.00			

ODD LOTS

Ewo Brewery	400	7.10	300	7.10
350	6.85			
S'hai Land	100	10.60	100	10.70
300	11.00	100	11.10	
Yangtsze Finance			200	*14.30
I. I. Trust	100	18.10	250	19.10
Exploration	300	20.25	200	19.70
100	19.90			
Dockyards			50	26.00
Wheelock			25	81.00
Tanah Merah			275	2.47½
Worsted	250	5.35	100	5.10
100	*5.35	200	5.35	
Textile			300	7.80
S'hai Securities			250	*5.00
Kota			200	3.90
Ewo Mills (Ord)	25	37.25	50	37.50
75	38.25			
S'hai Loan	200	15.90	200	16.10
200	15.40	300	16.60	200 15.90
100	16.30	200	15.60	200 16.20

*—Direct Business.

U.S. Commodities

Thursday's Closing Quotations

New York, Feb. 13.

After an irregular opening, cotton prices gradually eased off on foreign selling and liquidation, influenced by bearish foreign political reports and a weak stock market. Closing quotations ranged from 4 to 6 points down from the previous final levels.

The market for raw rubber futures opened firm and thereafter turned strong on dealer and factory buying, which found offerings high and scarce. The fear of possible interference with shipping in the Far East caused some hesitancy on the part of sellers. At the last call over, gains from 25 to 60 points were recorded.

Easier conditions prevailed in the Chicago Wheat Pit today, with prices early slipping on a weak securities market and liquidation, while some short covering was noticed towards the close. At the final bell, losses from ⅛ to ⅜ cent were registered.

New York Cotton		New York Rubber	
Mar.	10.32-32 —04	Mar.	20.70-72 +60
May	10.29-30 —04	May	20.57-57 +55
July	10.16-17 —05	July	(N.C.)
Oct.	9.70 N. —06		20.20-22 +35
Dec.	9.66-66 —06	Sept.	(N.C.)
Jan.	9.64 N. —05		19.95 N. +25

N. Y. Sugar No. 3		N. Y. Sugar No. 4	
Mar.	2.03-04 +02 B/A	Mar.	0.68-68½ —½ B/A
May	2.08-09 +01 B/A	May	0.72-72½ +½ B/A

Chicago Wheat		Chicago Corn	
May	79½-79½ —⅜	May	60⅞-60⅞ unc.
July	74-74½ —⅛	July	60¾-60¾ unc.

New York Silk No. 1

Mrs. 2.54-54 +06

B—Bid A—Asked.—Reuter.

British Commodities

Thursday's Closing Quotations

London, Feb. 13.

Tin prices on the London Metal Exchange today ruled very firm.

London Rubber: Spot, buyers 12½ unch; sellers 12⅝ unchanged; Mar. del. buyers 12 9/16 unc; sellers 12 11/16 unc.

Liverpool Cotton: American Futures. Mar. 8.28 +1; May 8.30 +2; July 8.30 +2; Oct. 8.23 +5. Egyptian Futures. Giza, F.G.F. No. 7, No. 2 contract: Mar. 11.07 +2; May 11.06 +2; July 11.02 +2; Nov. 11.04 +2.

London Metals: Tin, Standard, cash, middle price £259⅜ +1½; 3 mths, middle price £259⅛ +1.—Reuter.

Local Commodities

Yesterday's Prices

Cotton yn. 20's, D.H. per bale	$1,330
Tungchow cotton .. per picul	230
Shanghai cotton ... per picul	210
Raw silk, Steamfil, 20/22 78%	$4,950 nom.
Flour, local .. per bag (49lb.)	$23.00
Flour, imported per bag (49lb.)	24.30

London Bullion

London, Feb. 13.

London Gold: Bar, Fine, per oz. ..... 168/- unchanged.

London Silver: Buyers were satisfied Business small. Market quiet. After the official fixing the market remained quiet.

Spot	23 5/16d. unch.
Forward	23¼d. —1/16d.

—Reuter.

Aluminium Imports To Be Restricted

New Delhi, Feb. 14.

The Government of India have applied severe restrictions to the importation into India of aluminium in all forms from all countries, including the United Kingdom. Notifications have been issued adding aluminium, unwrought and manufactured, to the Import Trade Control schedule and making these items exceptions to the open-general licences issued in favour of imports from various specified countries, such as the British Empire, certain French Colonies and the Netherlands East Indies.

A communique issued in this connection explains that the maintenance of ample stocks of aluminium for military purposes, and in particular for the manufacture of aircraft for the British and Allied forces, is a matter of vital importance, and the new restrictions have been introduced in order that this object may be in no way interfered with by demands from India on the supplies available in the world at large.—Reuter.

Japanese Sugar Stocks

New York, Feb. 14.

Japanese sugar stocks January 1, 1941, amounted to 1,010,022 tons, which was 94 per cent. greater than the corresponding date of the preceding year, the B. W. Dyer Company reported yesterday.

This increase was said to be partly a result of a large 1940 crop of 1,767,675 tons and partly to the closing of many outside markets.—United Press.

Price Index Falls

Washington, Feb. 14.

The Department of Labour all-commodity index of wholesale price during the week ended February 6, declined .1 per cent. to 80.5 per cent. of the 1926 average.

This was compared to 80.6 per cent. for the week which ended January 30 and 78.5 per cent. for the corresponding week in 1940.—United Press.

Philippine Gold Imports

Washington, Feb. 14.

United States' imports of Philippines gold during January totalled US$3,185,447, the Department of Commerce announced yesterday.—United Press.

New York Stocks

Thursday's Closing Quotations

New York, Feb. 13.

Weak conditions prevailed on Wall Street today, with stock values receding from fractions to almost two points, compared with Tuesday.

News despatches from the Balkans and the Orient denoting increasing tension, coupled with the domestic tax question, had a dampening effect on sentiment.

Sellers were very prominent throughout the day, with recent market leaders again heading the way downward. Towards the close, however, prices steadied up, presumably on shorts covering.

The volume of business done totalled 640,000 shares.—Reuter.

Dow-Jones Averages

	High	Low	Close	Changes
30 Indust.	122.16	120.57	121.10	—1.51
20 Rails	27.79	27.45	27.56	—0.36
15 Utilit.	19.61	19.19	19.28	—0.33
40 Bonds	——	——	90.33	—0.36
11 Commod.	——	——	56.00	+0.29

	Feb. 11	13		Feb. 11	13
Adams Exp	6	5⅞	Lockheed	23	22⅞
Alg Lud	21⅛	20⅞	Loew's Inc	32⅛	31⅛
Allis Chal	30⅜	30⅝	Loft Inc	16⅛	15⅜
Alum Ltd	70	71	Mack Trks	27⅛	26⅜
Amer Can	86⅛	85½	Martin	25½	24⅜
Am Cyan	33⅛	32⅝	McK & R	25½	24⅛
Am For Pr	0⅛	0⅛	Mont Ward	36	35⅝
,, $7 pfd	17	15⅞	Mountain	3	3
Am Loco	13⅛	13	Nat City B	*25⅛	*25¼
Am Metal	*17⅛	17⅛	Nat Avian	9	8⅛
Am Radtr	6⅛	6⅛	Nat Dairy	13⅛	13⅛
Am R Mill	13⅜	13	Nat Dist	20⅞	20⅛
Am Smltg	40⅝	39⅛	Nat Lead	16⅜	15⅞
Am Sug	14	13⅝	Nat P & L	6⅛	6⅛
Am T & T	163	161⅛	Nat Sup	*5⅝	5⅛
Am Tob B	69¼	69¼	N Y Cent	12⅛	12⅛
Am Wtwrk	5⅛	5⅝	Niag Hud	2⅛	2⅛
Anaconda	23⅞	23⅜	N A Avian	*14⅛	14⅛
Atchison	21⅛	21	N Am Co	15⅜	15⅛
Avian Cpn	4⅛	4	N Pacific	6⅜	6⅛
Bald Loco	15⅛	14⅜	O I Glass	44	43⅛
Balt & O	3⅛	3⅛	Pac G & E	26⅛	26⅛
Barber	9	9	Packard	2	2⅛
Barns Oil	8⅛	8	Pan A Air	13⅛	13⅛
Bendix	34⅜	34	Paramount	11	10⅝
Beth Steel	80	78¼	Penn R R	23⅛	23⅛
Bliss	16⅜	15⅜	P & R Coal	0⅜	0⅛
Boeing	16	15⅛	Phil Pet	36⅛	36⅛
Borg War	18⅜	18⅛	P S of N J	28⅛	28
Briggs	21⅜	20⅛	Pullman	23⅜	23⅛
Budd Mfg	4	3⅞	Pure Oil	7⅝	7⅜
Can Pac	3⅜	3⅜	Radio	4⅛	4⅛
Case J I	*47	45⅛	Reading	13	13⅛
Celanese	24⅜	24⅛	Rem Arms	*5⅛	*5
Chase N B	*30⅛	*30	Rep Avian	4⅛	3⅞
Ches & O	41	40⅛	Rep Steel	18⅜	18
Chrysler	65⅛	64⅜	Rev C & B	9⅜	9
Col G & E	4⅛	4	Rey Tob B	33⅛	32⅜
Col Credit	29⅛	29⅛	Safeway	39⅞	39⅛
Com & Sth	0⅛	0⅛	Schenley	9⅝	9⅛
Cons Edis	21⅞	21⅝	Sears Roe	†72	71⅛
Cons Oil	5⅛	5⅛	Shell U Oil	11⅛	11
Cont Can	37⅞	37⅛	Soc Vac	8⅛	8⅛
Cont Oil	18	18⅛	Sthrn Pac	8⅞	8⅜
Copld St	15⅛	15⅛	Sthrn Rly	21⅜	21
Curtis Wr	8⅜	8	Spicer	*32⅛	32⅛
,, A	26⅛	26	Std Brands	6⅛	6⅛
Deere	19⅛	19⅛	Std G & E	*1	1
Dist Cpn	*16⅛	16⅜	Std Oil Cal	19⅛	†18⅜
Douglas	68⅛	67⅛	Std Oil N J	34⅛	33⅞
Du Pont	146⅛	145⅞	Stone & W	6⅞	6⅞
E P Lead	9	8⅞	Studebaker	6⅛	6⅛
Eaton Mfg	32	31⅛	Swift Int	18⅛	18
E A Lite	28⅛	27⅞	Technicolor	9	9
Elec B & S	3⅛	3⅜	Tex Cpn	37	35⅝
,, $5 pfd	*54⅛	*54½	Tex Gulf	36⅜	36
,, $6 pfd	62⅛	61⅛	Timken	30⅜	29⅛
Elec P & L	31⅛	30	Transamer	4⅛	4⅛
Flintkote	13⅜	13⅛	Tw Cent	6⅛	6
Gen A Tr	*51⅛	51	Un B & P	10⅜	10⅛
Gen Elec	32⅜	32⅛	Un Car	64⅛	63
Gen M	†43⅛	42⅜	Un Pac	79	77⅞
Gen Rly	*13⅛	12⅜	Un Air	37⅞	36⅝
Gen T & R	11⅛	11⅛	Un A Lines	13⅛	12⅛
Glidden	13⅜	13⅛	Un Corp	1⅛	1⅛
Goodrich	13⅜	12⅜	,, $3 pfd	27⅜	27⅛
,, $5 pfd	62	61	Un Gas	0 13/16	0 11/16
Goodyear	17⅛	16⅞	Un G Imp	9⅛	9
Gt N I Ore	14⅛	14	U S Ind	24⅛	23⅛
Gt N Rom	24⅛	24	U S Rub	19⅜	19⅛
Gt W Sug	21	20⅜	,, pfd	86	85
Grey Cpn	11⅛	11⅛	U S Smelt	59⅜	*59⅛
Her Pow	68⅛	68	U S Steel	61	59⅞
Homestake	48⅛	47	Vanadium	29	28
Int Nickel	22⅛	24	Vultee	6⅛	6⅜
Int Paper	12⅜	11⅝	Walworth	5	4⅞
Int T & T	2⅛	2⅛	War Br Pic	3⅛	3
Johns Man	57⅛	56⅛	West Elec	95	†93
Kennecott	32⅜	32½	Woodward	29	28⅞
Libbey	*35	35⅞			

BONDS

Amer. & For. Power	55¾	54
Australia Comm.	*58½	58
Balt. & Ohio "A"	38½	38
Brazil (U.S. of) 8% 1941	19½	19
,, ,, ,, 6½% 1957	16	16
Cities Serv. Pwr. & Lt.	90⅝	90½
Erie 5s 1967	17¾	17⅝
Int. T. & T.	39¾	38¼
New England Gas & Elec.	64¼	64⅛
Sth'n. Pacific Co.	45⅛	44⅝
Stand. Gas & Elec.	78⅞	78⅝

*—Bid. †—Ex Div.

Dow-Jones Summary

By courtesy of Swan, Culbertson & Fritz

Prices broke from one to more than two points on the Stock Exchange today, hitting the lowest levels since June. Today witnessed the month's most active session, with selling mainly ascribed to nervousness over possible developments in the Balkans and also in the Far East. Furthermore, many traders were concerned over the domestic labour and tax situations. Just before the close, most leaders rose at least fractions from the day's lows. The enactment of the British Aid Bill may result in British orders for between 3,000,000 and 4,000,000 tons of steel.

Stocks:—The action of the market today provides no clear cut indication that the reaction has ended, but changes favour agile traders who buy now.

STATISTICS

	Week Ended 8/2	Week Ended 1/2
Electricity Output (Edison Elec. Inst.'s) (Kilowatt hours—000's omitted)	2,824,000	2,830,000
Car-loadings (Assoc. of Amer. Railroads') (cars)	710,000	714,000

Dividends:—Chrysler Corportion—$1.50 payable on Macrh 14 to stockholders on record as of February 24.

EARNINGS

	Period	1940	1939
American Can	Yr. 31/12	$5.88	$6.22
Chrysler Corp.	,,	3.69	3.47

Cotton:—Liquidation of March position and uneasiness over the foreign situation were the chief influences.

Wheat:—Renewed liquidation, in sympathy with securities, met only a short-covering demand.

Corn:—Ruled steady and featureless.

Rubber:—Was strong on dealer and manufacturer demand for nearbys, which found offerings limited, due to fears of a Japanese wave towards the Netherlands East Indies. Total dealers' stocks in the Straits Settlements, together with stocks at ports on the last day of January were 42,660 tons, compared with 31,210 tons in December.

Hides:—Hold firm on speculative and dealer buying, in anticipation of large Government show orders within a few days.

Cocoa:—A strong market, with trade and speculative demand absorbing rather liberal profit-taking.

Sugar No. 4:—Easier conditions prevailed on more active March liquidation, with the first notice day on February 17 We suggest switching to July.

By courtesy of Swan, Culbertson & Fritz

As a result of nervousness on the part of investors over present war developments throughout the world, stock prices on Wall Street during the current period under review declined on increasing volume, with the technical gains of the previous week completely cancelled. The market was unsettled on Monday by the severance of diplomatic relations between Great Britain and Rumania, which, combined with the more offensive tactics by the British Navy and Air Force, was suggestive to traders of potential major war developments in the near future. The turnover was the lightest since September 16. Adverse news

Christian Issues in War

The Rev. A. Baxter Speaks on "Wartime Magic" In Radio Address Over Station XCDN

"WARTIME Magic" was the title of a talk in the series, "Christian Issues in Wartime," delivered over XCDN on Sunday night by the Rev. A. Baxter. In his address Mr. Baxter warned his listeners not to make the magic of science in this modern world a substitute for God and all that Christianity meant as religious faith. He quoted the words of His Majesty the King in his memorable message to the nation "Let us put our trust as I do in God and in the unconquerable spirit of the British people." The talk follows :

"This talk is one of the series "Christian Issues in Wartime," and my intention is to indicate under the title "Wartime Magic" what I feel to be one of these issues.

"Magic! What does the word suggest to us? Perhaps childish things —the pleasing wonderland of childhood stories. Or does it call to mind ancient things—primitive savage life and the witch doctor? Or has it a reference also to present things and the feelings suggested by the old Cornish prayer:

"From ghoulies and ghosties and legged beasties and things that go bump in the night, Good Lord deliver us.'

"Be that as it may, I want to remind you that, at any rate to primitive man, magic was no childish affair. It was not simply doing wonders. The magic-man was not merely a magician. Magic was a means by which man tried to get a grip, so to speak, on what he felt to be mysterious and potent in his environment. It was his way of getting control of a mysterious power, or as he called it sometimes 'MANA', which he felt was possessed by certain objects or spirits around him. These objects or spirits he felt had power to do things for or to him, and magic was his attempt to get control of them and make them do what he wanted done. The magic-man professed to have discovered how to do this, and his incantations and charms were the means he used.

"Now, if you are willing to put the magic-man's language into modern terms and bring his ideas of 'mana' up to date, it is not far fetched to call him a kind of primitive scientist—out to control the forces of Nature and harness them to his purposes (I shall return to this later).

"It used to be said also that magic represents the lowly origin of Religion, and though that idea is not held by competent people today, it still has a certain amount of popular following. The magic-man would thus be the precursor of the Priest.

"Far from this being the case however, it is the main point of this talk to show how religion and magic differ, and to suggest that it is important for the vitality of our religion, especially in war time, that we should not confuse them in principle or in practice. Though religion and magic differ radically, it is a fact that religion has had to be on its guard at all times against what are essentially magical developments.

"What then is the fundamental difference between magic and religion?

Not so Rational

"Let me be up-to-date and put it this way—which incidentally may also remind us that some modern people are not so rational as they would have us believe. When a person today carries a charm or mascot, touches wood, or fights shy of ladders or the number 13, he is really practising magic, and if he takes the trouble to analyse what he is doing he will see that his action involves the idea of securing control of something which may have power to harm him, or at least of being able by means of a particular charm, action, word, to ward off some harmful power. While in an air raid shelter in London early in the war I suddenly found myself, along with many others, being sprinkled from a bottle by a kindly lady, who certainly believed the contents of the bottle were efficacious against the dangers of an air raid. You will note also that none of the things I have mentioned as magic take any account of the character of the power they are supposed to be concerned with, or of the character of the person claiming protection.

"Now this is the very essence of magic—it is supposed to work automatically—given the right formula, charm, action, the desired result follows of necessity, and no moral considerations are involved. It is not a way of requesting or even urging some power to come to our aid. It is automatic compulsion, and so far as character or moral questions are concerned it is indifferent. Therefore it is magic, and therefore it is not religion.

"The beginnings of religion may be very humble and very ignorant, but whatever else may be present or absent, the beginning of religion is a bowed head and a humble heart. There is present a sense of awe and at least some recognition of what is worthy in what is worshipped, and of what is required in response from the worshipper. Religion does not really begin till coercion gives way to appeal, till human ignorance and finitude bow before a wiser will, and until man seeks his God not to make God do what he wants, but to ask God to be gracious to him a sinner. To begin with we may only be able to trace glimpses of these things, but once they are recognised religion grows till we have its essential nature unveiled for instance in the great utterance of the prophet Micah:

'Wherewith shall I come before the Lord, and bow myself before the High God.... He hath shown thee O man what is good, and what doth the Lord require of thee but to do justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with thy God.' Or clearer still in that incomparable saying of Jesus: 'The pure in heart shall see God.'

"Now as I see it in myself, and as I observe others, there are certain features of religion which it is particularly easy to develop in war time in what I venture to call magical ways.

Dangerous "Magic"

"I referred previously to science in relation to the primitive methods of the magic-man to gain control of forces about him and make them work his will. We are all proud of the achievements of science in doing what the magic-man in his way tried to do, and in war time we all realize how much we owe to scientific control of the powers of nature. It has sometimes been said that science has now placed within our grasp the means of victory. But just here we have to be on our guard against a dangerous "magic". Control, mechanism, mighty forces of the universe harnessed for our will—perhaps, but let us beware of thinking we can master all things to do our will if in the presence of scientific control there remains no bowed head and no humble heart, no searching of the inner life, no sure sense of moral direction, no felt need for the wisdom of the Eternal God, what then? What of the secrets of the Lord—the right, the truth, the love which have their source in Him, and for which at our best we strive, and without which all physical victory is vain? Can science manufacture them, control them, possess them, or even promise them? No, for they belong to God, and this secret of the Lord is not with science as such, but with them that fear Him. The magic of science —yes, but let us beware lest we make that a substitute for the knowledge of God and all that Christianity means as religious faith which is the victory that overcometh not merely an enemy, but overcometh the world.

"Again, war intensifies our human need for protection and assurance. This in turn easily becomes an anxiety for ourselves or others, for our country and our cause, and reacts on our religious life. In his memorable message to the nation King George said: 'Let us put our trust as I do in God, and in the unconquerable spirit of the British people.'

"As I do", notice, and therein speaks a religious faith. But how do we think of the phrase "trust in God"? In what particular way does it speak to our felt need for protection? The Lord's prayer bids us say "Our Father which art in Heaven. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done." Our not my, Thine not mine. What does your prayer say, or what is the expectation of your trust in God? Does it mean casting your burden upon the Lord and thereby being sustained and assured, or is it really that you are trying to believe that God will do what you want. In a word are you seeking inner assurance or preferential treatment, your interests the good of men or the Kingdom of God? I have met not a few people who have given up as they say Christian faith because it didn't work. What really happened was that their faith didn't enable them to make God do what they wanted—the way of the magic-man did not work. After this manner pray ye "Our Father"...."Thy Kingdom come" And further, there are people who forget that God is not merely a Power, but a Person, and that Christian faith demands Christian character. God is Gracious, but he is not mocked. No word of appeal, no text quoted from the Bible, no rite or sacrament of the Church is a charm that can operate mechanically and without reference to moral and spiritual factors. These are things that God requires of us, and to expect His aid without these things is not faith but magic.

God's Will

"And when it comes to assurance concerning the final outcome of it all, the factors I have just mentioned must be recognized. Religion can say God's will shall be done and His purposes cannot fail, but Christianity will not tolerate magic—the idea of trying to make God a nationalist or a Nazi. Nor are God's purposes to be found in any mechanical or non-moral way —among the stars as a new race of astrologers are telling us, or to be unearthed within the Pyramids as some others assert.

"God rules, but the achievement of His purposes waits for the manifestation of the sons of God and their cooperation with Him. That is both our assurance and our call as religious people, and it is enough for our assurance and for our tasks.

"What need our little life, our human life, to know, if God hath comprehension ?

In all the busy strife of things both high and low God hideth His intention.

God knows, His will is best.

The stretch of years which winds ahead, so dim to our imperfect vision.

Are clear to God. Our fears are premature :

In Him all time hath full provision."

Mass Exhumation to Take Place in Penang

Singapore, Feb. 14.

There will be a mass exhumation of bodies, nearly 10,000 in number, in old and neglected graves in Cantonese cemeteries in Penang, in April.

This is to be carried out by the trustees of a Chinese Association which has obtained a special licence from Government for the purpose.

The work is expected to take more than one year. This "bone-picking" ceremony, as the Cantonese call it, is the first undertaken by the association for over a century.

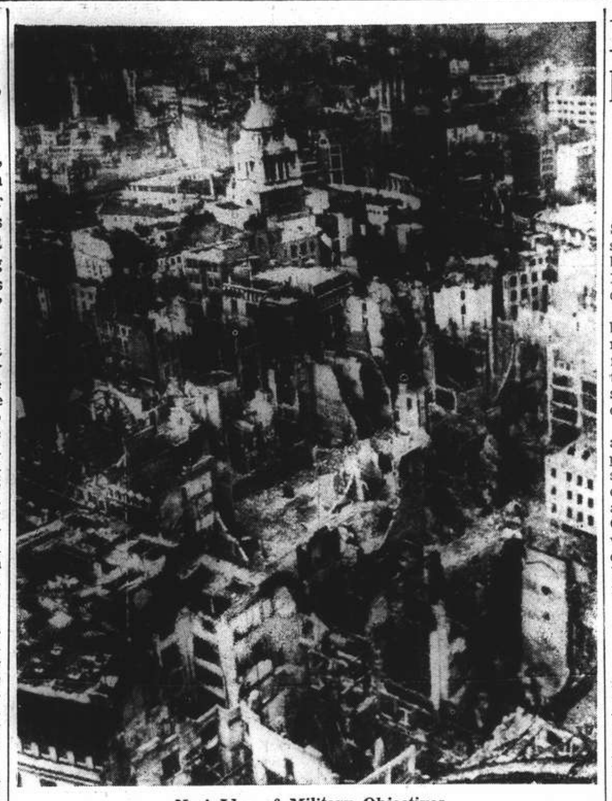
The bones of each body will be placed in an earthen jar, to be re-buried wholesale in a public graveyard which the Association has undertaken to look after.—Reuter.

Australian Bomber Now At Honolulu

Honolulu, Feb. 14.

An Australian Consolidated patrol bomber en route to the Far East or the Antipodes arrived yesterday from San Diego. Officials refused to reveal when the plane would depart.—United Press.

BASING his objections on moral and educational grounds and the fact that it will be the poor who will suffer eventually, Capt. N. M. Hashim opposed the motion for war lotteries at a recent meeting of the Legislative Council in Singapore. The danger of public lotteries he declared is the dazzling prizes offered for a small outlay and the majority of subscribers are poor and cannot really afford to divert their money from the proper channels into which it should go. The motion for lotteries in the Straits Settlements was defeated by 22 votes to five in a free vote.



Nazi Idea of Military Objectives

This picture, approved by the British censors, was taken from the main roof of St. Paul's Cathedral. Without exception every building around the Cathedral has been bombed, most of them utterly destroyed. That is what the Nazis call aiming at military objectives.

Nazi Depredations in Holland Described

Broadcast Over XCDN by Mrs. van Weezel Errens Depicting Conditions in Netherlands

CONDITIONS in Holland under Nazi occupation were the subject of a talk by Mrs. van Weezel Errens over Station XCDN last Sunday night. Mrs. Errens was guest speaker of the station on the weekly half hour programme "Inside Occupied Europe," and gave many interesting facts of the ruthlessness of the Germans in stripping the country to satisfy their own needs; the consequence is that Netherlanders are in pitiable condition. Extracts from the broadcast follow :—

"Accurate information regarding the "new order" that the Germans have brought to the Netherlands has recently been brought to London by a Netherlander who escaped from his Nazi-occupied territory.

"The informant had many interesting details to add to the generally known record of progressive economic despoliation and moral decay, while the German-controlled wireless and the newspapers day after day paint glowing, though extremely hazy, pictures of the great benefits that Germany has brought and will still bring to the Netherlands. The grim reality is that the economic situation of the Netherlands is rapidly becoming increasingly ruinous.

"Certain facts have come to light, which show that the unwarranted invasion of our country by the Germans, was more than a simple matter of military necessity. There are definite indications that the invaders are trying to organize affairs in Holland in such a manner as to make the Netherlands subservient to the German war machine in the hope of reducing our country to a vassal state of the German European Reich, which we all know to be a Reich of dreams or rather of Nazi nightmares.

"We will give you a few examples of these German efforts to enslave our country and so we find from the Netherlands newspapers some remarkable views on the important economic problems of our country as seen by Dr. Fischbock, the German Commissioner-General for Financial and Economic Affairs.

Nazi Explanation

"The slow recovery of Netherlands economic life is, according to this Nazi, due to incomplete or wrong understanding of the National Socialist economic principles. He who does not understand or even opposes these principles will be crushed and it will therefore be to the advantage of the Netherlands if her people would only understand these facts. According to Dr. Fischbock the unavoidable curtailments in the distribution of raw material are accepted and understood by the German people for ideological reasons and because they want to win the war.

"If the Netherlands wish to be treated on an equal footing with Germany as regards the allotment of the available resources they must also be ready to accept the same obligations as Germany does. And if Holland cannot or does not want to understand these facts then....and here he used the phrase of the grinding wheels which would inevitably crush the Netherlands people. Boiled down to a few words this means that the Netherlands economic life must be made subservient to the German war-industry.

"That the supply of essential commodities has suffered severely under the new German order is general knowledge. The Netherlands, until a short time ago still a land of plenty, is rationed on every side and even several home-produced goods, such as eggs and fruit, have already become unobtainable as a result of the needs and rapacity of the "herrenvolk."

"What is perhaps less generally known is that even where the unfortunate Netherlander has been able to obtain the coupons for the purchase of some rationed articles he often finds that the coupon is literally no better than a scrap of paper and that the goods to which it entitles him are not available. What all this means in plain terms of suffering and misery becomes clear when it is known that on the estimates of the Netherlands coal trade, the people of the Netherlands will be lucky if they get 20 per cent. of their normal coal consumption during the winter.

In Concentration Camps

"Hundreds of Netherlanders are in concentration camps in Germany, among others the entire law faculty of the University of Utrecht, various members of the court, two or three hundred civil servants and a number of prominent personalities from all walks of life. In most cases these unfortunates received twenty minutes to say farewell to their families. An average of six to eight weeks passes before their families are allowed to receive a sign from them after their arrival in the concentration camp.

"Meanwhile, the enslavement of the Netherlands people proceeds apace. It is officially disclosed that over one hundred thousand Netherland labourers have already been sent to Germany to work in the armament factories of their enemies. Any German, of course, would protest indignantly that there is no question of compulsion in this matter; indeed not, for those who refuse to go to Germany are perfectly free to stay. All that happens to them in that case is that they lose their ration cards and, in fact, every other means of financial support.

"The introduction of anti-Jewish legislation, dissolution of numerous Socialist and other political organizations in the Netherlands, wholesale transfer of trade-union funds and organizations to the small and despised band of Netherlands traitors, all testify to the fact that Dr. Seyss-Inquart's solemn promises of non-interference with Netherland political life and organization are as worthless as those of his principal.

Germans Expelled

"As is probably known, the Netherlands Indian Government after thorough enquiries, has decided to release and expel a number of German women and children from Java. At the same time our Government issued a declaration stating expressly that their release had nothing to do with the reprisals committed by the Germans in the Netherlands on account of the internment of Germans in Netherlands India.

"One of the German controlled newspapers asserts that these internments involve innocent people on both sides, German citizens in Netherlands India who were only interned because of their nationality and Netherlands citizens in Holland, mostly former residents of Netherlands India, who were taken away from their families, their work and their country in reprisal. The interesting part is that about the German citizens in Netherlands India who according to this paper were only interned because they happened to be Germans. How innocent they were we can fully understand if we think of all those innocent Germans in our country, in Norway, in Belgium and in France and the role they played during the invasion of these countries. Whatever they had planned to do in Java was nipped in the bud by the prompt action of the N.E.I. Government. The fifth column has, at least, had no chance in Java to abuse our hospitality in such a criminal way.

Demands Rejected

"Shortly after the occupation of our country, the Germans demanded that the internees in the Indies should be treated well and in particular that they should be accommodated in good hotels, in a healthy mountain climate, and further that they should be guarded by Europeans. Afterwards they went one step further and demanded that the internees should be released unconditionally and should be given an opportunity to resume their normal business activities. The Nazi Government even offered to issue to the Germans in the Netherlands Indies strict instructions to do nothing which could endanger the safety of the Indies. How is it possible, the Nazis ask, that the Netherlands Indies Government could not see its way to comply with these demands and did not attach any value to the promises of Hitler and, still worse, did not even reply to the German Government.

The German Government received a definite reply from the Netherlands Indies. A sum of 5,000,000 guilders brought together by voluntary contributions was remitted to London to buy Spitfires! This, because all Netherlanders abroad have only one prayer, one desire: "Holland shall be free again!"

How the Sussex Fought a Bomber

Steward's Boy Stood On Explosives with Hose-pipe

Mr. Ronald Cross, Minister of Shipping, broadcast recently a description of the gallant fight put up by a New Zealand cargo ship, the 10,000-ton Sussex, says the "Manchester Guardian."

Incessant attacks by a German bomber were beaten off while other members of the crew fought a fierce fire eating its way towards many tons of explosives, on top of which stood a boy playing water on the deadly cargo to keep it cool.

"One morning off the Irish coast as daylight was breaking an aeroplane was seen flying high up in the sky," he said. "The aeroplane came on overhead and dropped two bombs, and unluckily they both scored hits. One bomb exploded on the funnel, which crashed down on the deck and did serious damage. The other bomb burst on a hatch and started a fire in the cargo of wool.

Gunner's Bravery

"The gunners, infuriated by the success of the attack, worked their guns with every ounce they had. One gunner—a lad of 18 called Croxford —was badly wounded by the German's bullets and was burned by one of the bombs. But in spite of his wounds and loss of blood, in spite of orders from the bridge to go down to his bunk, he refused to leave his gun and stuck to his post. Twice the German came round to attack, but the fire was too good for him and he had to turn away.

"Knowing he had hit the ship, the German thought he had got her beaten and signalled her to stop. The only answer came from her guns. The captain was not giving in, nor was his crew. And so three times more the German tried to attack and three times more that hard-driven gun held him off. Then he gave up.

"But in the meantime the fire started by the second bomb was raging fiercely down below. The wooden locker, full of explosive, stood just above and the flames kept leaping all about it. Hoses were kept playing on the steel containers to keep them cool, but after all their splendid efforts one exploded—but only one.

Boy on Explosives

"A boy—an assistant steward—had climbed to the top of that locker of explosives, and from there he played his hose wherever the fire threatened most, knowing full well that at any moment he might be blown to bits. But there he sat and worked and joked.

"At last they managed to get the fire out, and thankfully Captain Clarke set his course for home. The sea was rough. His wireless, compasses, chronometers—everything on the bridge and in the chartroom—were smashed, but the engines were unharmed. A boat's compass was all he had to steer by, and even that was not too good. So he steered while he could by the sun.

"Later that night he knew he was out of his course. Then they ran into fog. They were rammed by a trawler, luckily only lightly. But that fog proved a blessing in disguise. Nature's best black-out hid the showers of sparks that poured from the hole where the funnel had stood. At last Captain Clarke got his bearings from a patrol boat and eventually brought his ship safely to port.

"That is only one of many stories of the pluck of the men of the merchant navy. They are not a fighting force—but they brave the fighting forces of the enemy with all the courage of men fully trained and equipped in arms."

C.N.A.C. Confirms Plane Lost

Hongkong, Feb. 14.

The Hongkong office of the China National Aviation Corporation confirmed today that one of their freight planes carrying no passengers had been missing since early Wednesday on a flight from Hongkong to Chungking. There was no additional information regarding the plane.

The office said the pilot was Mr. F. J. Thom, American-born and educated. The two other crew members were Mr. Paul Chim, co-pilot, and Mr. C. N. Pau, radio operator. The mishap was the fourth on the same route within a month, although only one has involved fatalities.—United Press.

Rice Imports in Japan To Continue

Tokyo, Feb. 14.

A resolution adopted by the House of Representatives on Feb. 6 urging the Government to abandon its dependence on foreign countries for supplies of rice could not be carried out under the present circumstances, declared Mr. Tadaatsu Ishiguro, Minister of Agriculture and Forestry, before a plenary meeting of the budget committee of the House of Representatives this morning.

It is impossible to suspend imports of foreign rice, therefore a plan had been worked out for "importing the required quantity of foreign rice for a couple of years."—Reuter.

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SELF-CONTAINED two-roomed flat, bathroom, kitchen, servant's room, balcony, southfacing, $200 monthly, no key-money, no commission. 99/4 Prosper Paris corner Joffre. View daily 11-12. -2230

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TO LET, very attractive 4-roomed apartment de luxe, sixth floor, two bathrooms, verandah, refrigerator, servants' quarters. Best residential part of French Concession. Rent US$54. Apply A. Leonard P. Veysseyre, Architects. 461 Avenue Joffre. -10748

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DESIRABLE 3 roomed apartment situated best residential district French Concession. For further particulars apply China Realty Company, 290 Szechuen Road. 10782

VERY attractive five and two-roomed apartments, hot/cold water, steamheating, refrigerators, all modern conveniences. Immediate occupation. Apply 745 Yu Yuen Road. -2073

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ATTRACTIVE three-roomed apartment with large verandah and all modern conveniences on Route Frelupt. Apply personally: Asia Realty Company, 110 Szechuen Road. 10823

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		At Cathedral		At Siccawei	
Temperature	yesterday	min. 26.0	max. 38.0	min. 24.8	max. 38.3
„	same date last year	min. 34.0	max. 46.0	min. 32.7	max. 49.1

NORTH-CHINA DAILY NEWS ★

SHANGHAI, SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 1941 (20th day of 1st moon)

AIR AND OCEAN MAILS

Pan American Airways Service per steamer on Feb. 15, 9.30 a.m. registered and 10.30 a.m. ordinary due San Francisco on Feb. 25. Air mails for Europe may be sent by this service to U.S.A. for connection with the P.A.A. Trans-Atlantic Air Service.

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To-day's Events $4 per line, which includes all insertions till date of event.

DEATH

WESTNIDGE.—On February 13, 1941, suddenly at the Country Hospital Shanghai, HARRY WESTNIDGE, formerly a member of the China Inland Mission for 20 years and Hon. Supt. of the Gospel Mission. The funeral will take place at the Bubbling Well Cemetery today, Saturday, February 15, at 3.45 p.m.

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TO-DAY'S EVENT

FEBRUARY

15 Yuan Shih-kai elected President (1912)

COMING EVENTS

FEBRUARY

16 S'hai Municipal Orchestra Lyc. 5.15
16 Christian Science Broadcast XMHA 6.30
17 Engineering Society Meeting 5.45 p.m.
17 S.A.C.S. "Western motives in Chinese Art." by A. H. Burling. For Y. 5.30
21 K. A. Persen, broadcasting XMHA 9
21 Art Exhibition M. Brenner. Modern Homes, 869 Bubbling Well Road, continues to March 15
22 Jewish Recreation Club Annual Dance at Shanghai Race Club 9.30 p.m.
27 Royal Society of St. George, Annual Meeting
27 Cradle Bridge/Mahjongg S.I.B.C. 3 p.m.
28 Rover Scout Concert, Lyceum, 9
28 Special Soiree, in aid of St. Tichon's Orphanage, French Club 9.30 p.m.

MARCH

1 Rover Scout Concert, Lyceum, 3
6 Ballet Russe and Municipal Orchestra in Glasunov's "Seasons", Symphonic ballet and "Stenka Razin" historical pantomime Lyceum Theatre 9.15
7 B.W.A. Jumble Sale 9.30 a.m.
8 Ballet Russe and Municipal Orchestra Lyc. 9.15
9 Ballet Russe and Municipal Orchestra Lyc. matinee at 2.15 evening at 9.15
16 Purim Ball Arcadia 9 p.m.

NOTICE

AQUARIUS WATERS

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Shanghai, February 15, 1941.

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OSWALD STANHOPE BENBOW-ROWE

deceased

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN pursuant to the Trustee Act 1925 that all persons having claims or demands upon or against the Estate of OSWALD STANHOPE BENBOW-ROWE deceased late of Shanghai sharebroker who died on the 2nd day of October 1940 at Hongkong and of whose estate Letters of Administration (with the Will annexed) were granted by His Britannic Majesty's Supreme Court for China at Shanghai on the 14th day of February 1941 to ARTHUR ERNEST SEDDON of Shanghai aforesaid Barrister-at-Law the lawful attorney of Elsa Grace Frances Field the executrix named in the said Will, and who have not already done so, are hereby requested to send in writing particulars of their claims or demands to the undersigned on or before the 21st day of April 1941 And that after such date the said Arthur Ernest Seddon will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased amongst the persons entitled thereto having regard only to the claims and demands of which he shall then have had notice and he will not be answerable for the assets so distributed, or any part thereof, to any person of whose claim or demand he shall not then have had notice.

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Shanghai, 15th day of February 1941.

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February 12, 1941.

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SHANGHAI HONG LIST.—All firms, institutions, missions, diplomatic, consulates, etc., in Shanghai, with staffs, arranged alphabetically.

AGENCIES.—Agencies held by Shanghai firms listed alphabetically with the firm's name. If you wish to find the address of a foreign company with local representation, or the agent of a particular motor-car, cosmetic, or radio, look up this list.

TRADE DIRECTORY.—Shanghai firms under their professional or trade headings. A list of apartment houses is a valuable feature of this section.

DIPLOMATS AND CONSULS—of all nationalities and their stations.

MERCANTILE MARINE OFFICERS.—An alphabetical list of mercantile marine officers.

SHANGHAI WHO'S WHO.—An alphabetical list of business men and women of Shanghai, with their office addresses.

STREET DIRECTORY.—The streets of Shanghai in English and Chinese, with the occupants of all foreign and many Chinese houses, offices, and stores.

RESIDENTIAL DIRECTORY.—The foreign residents of Shanghai, and many Chinese, listed alphabetically, with their private addresses.

HONG LISTS.—The principal cities and ports, from Harbin to Canton, with foreign firms, institutions and their staffs.

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MISSIONS.—Classified alphabetically by provinces. Under the names of the provinces are given the towns where missions are established, with resident missionaries' list. This is divided into two sections: (1) Protestants; (2) Roman Catholics.

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MAP OF SHANGHAI.—From Kiangwan to Lunghwa and the Hungjao Aerodrome to Pootung (65 by 32 inches).

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WEATHER, TIME AND TIDE

Meteorological Reports	Feb. 13 16.00	Feb. 13 21.00	Feb. 14 4.00	Feb. 14 9.00
Barometer (inches)	30.54	30.57	30.54	30.59
at 32 F. (variation for 24 hrs.)	+0.31	+0.17	+0.01	+0.01
at 32 F. („ „ 12 hrs.)	+0.01	—0.01	0.00	+0.02
Wind (direction)	NW	WNW	NW	NW
„ (miles per hour)	10.6	16.2	14.3	9.3
Temperature (Fahr.)	33.1°	34.0°	27.0°	27.9°
Humidity (per cent)	85	86	86	78
Nebuiosity (0 to 10)	10	10	7	5
Rainfall (inches)	—	—	—	—

Siccawei Abridged Report Feb. 13	Mean 1941	24 hrs. variation	68 years average
Barometer (mean 4 obs.)	30.56	+0.33	30.29
Temp. min. 29.5° Max. 35.4°	32.5°	—	38.7°
Total rainfall January 1 to midnight before last (inches)	4.94	0.23	3.00

Time and Tide	15/2	16/2	17/2	18/2	19/2	20/2	21/2
Sun rises at Shanghai	6.37	6.36	6.35	6.34	6.33	6.31	6.30
Sun sets at Shanghai	17.41	17.41	17.42	17.43	17.44	17.45	17.45
Moon rises at Shanghai	21.19	22.24	23.29	—	0.31	1.32	2.29
Moon sets at Shanghai	8.33	9.16	9.59	10.45	11.34	12.26	13.21
Flood makes Shai. (day)	13.00	13.42	14.30	15.20	16.25	17.40	5.46
Ebb makes Shai. (day)	17.56	6.08	7.00	7.50	8.47	9.58	11.30
H.W. W'sung Bar (day)	14.50	15.25	16.02	16.45	17.45	6.35	8.45
Ht. above LLW. (feet)	8.79	8.40	8.23	7.86	7.20	6.42	7.30

THE WEATHER

(See top of page, left)

State on the morning of the 13th:—Siberian anticyclone steady over China and spreading over Japan. Fresh monsoon along the China Coast. Cloudy and colder weather with snow in the Yangtze Valley.

State on the morning of the 14th:—Cloudy, fine and colder weather. West-north-westerly breezes. Pressure very high and steady.—Siccawei Observatory.

POST OFFICE NOTICES

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The following times apply to the Head Post Office Szechuen Road Bridge, Earlier posting at Sub-Offices is needed.

SATURDAY, February 15.	Reg.	Ord.
Tsingtao and Dairen	*20.00	7.15
Amoy Swatow and Canton	*20.00	8.00
Manila and Indo-China ..	*20.00	8.30
Shenkiamen and Tinghai	x 9.30	10.00
Aust. N.Z. S.S. India and Suez (via Hongkong)	9.00	10.30
Hongkong and Canton	10.00	10.30
Chefoo and Tientsin	10.30	11.00
Kiangpei offices south and east of Jukao	18.30	19.00
Nantung	18.30	19.00
Japan Korea and Formosa via Nagasaki	19.30	20.00
Hongkong and Canton ...	19.30	20.00
SUNDAY, February 16.		
Hongkong and Canton ...	x 9.30	10.00
Kiangpei offices south and east of Jukao	18.30	19.00
Nantung	18.30	19.00
MONDAY, February 17.		
Tsingtao and Dairen	*19.00	7.15
Hongkong and Canton	13.00	13.30
Nantung	14.30	15.00
Manila	15.30	16.00
Kiangpei offices south and east of Jukao	18.30	19.00
Nantung	18.30	19.00
U.S.S.R. Europe via Siberia	18.30	20.00
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